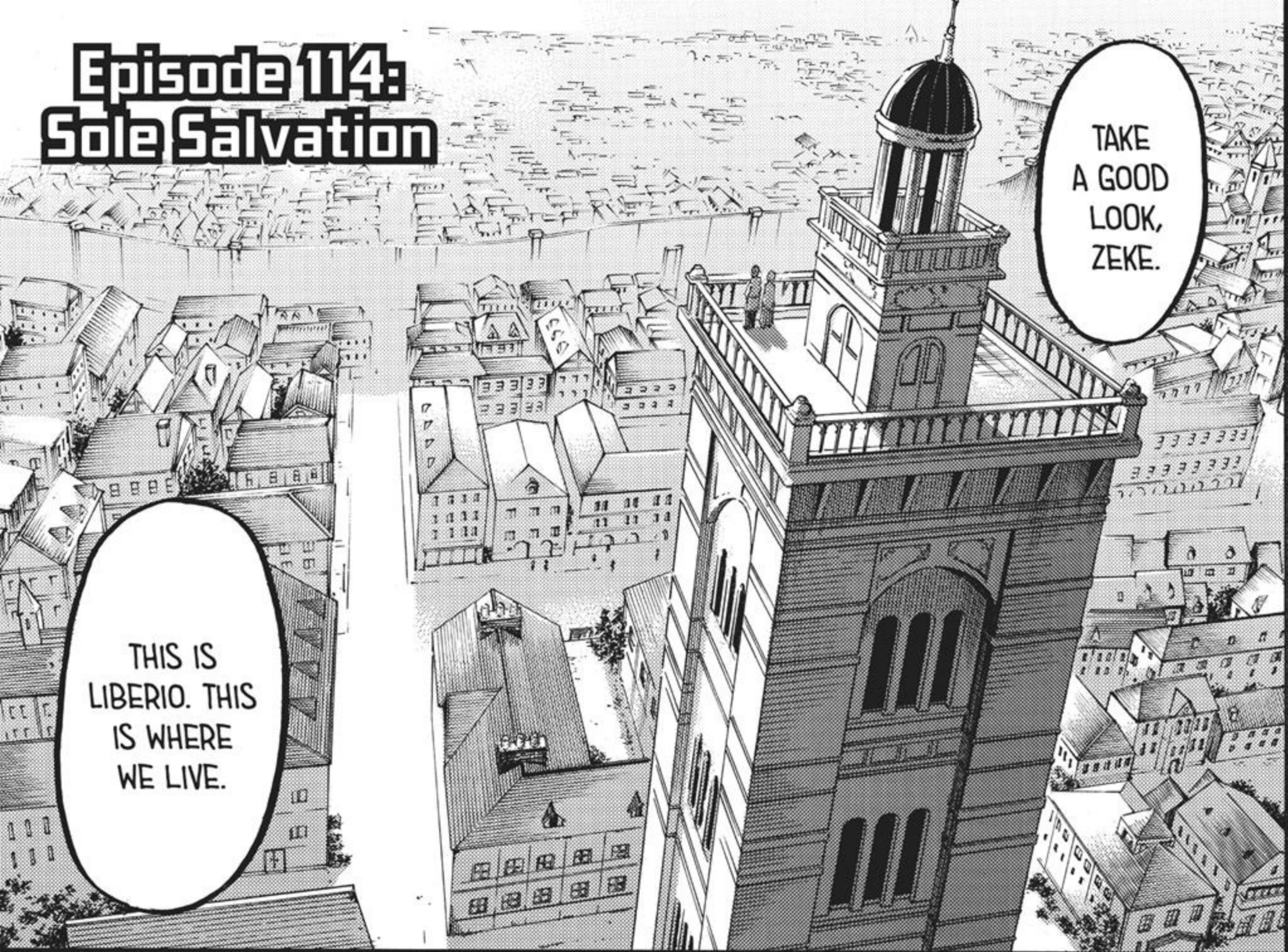


Episode 114: Sole Salvation



TAKE
A GOOD
LOOK,
ZEKE.

THIS IS
LIBERIO. THIS
IS WHERE
WE LIVE.



DON'T YOU
WANT TO
LEAVE THIS
PLACE,
ZEKE?



YES
...

I
DO.



WE'LL
NEVER BE
ABLE TO LEAVE
IT. WE'RE GOING
TO HAVE TO LIVE
HERE UNTIL
THE DAY
WE DIE.

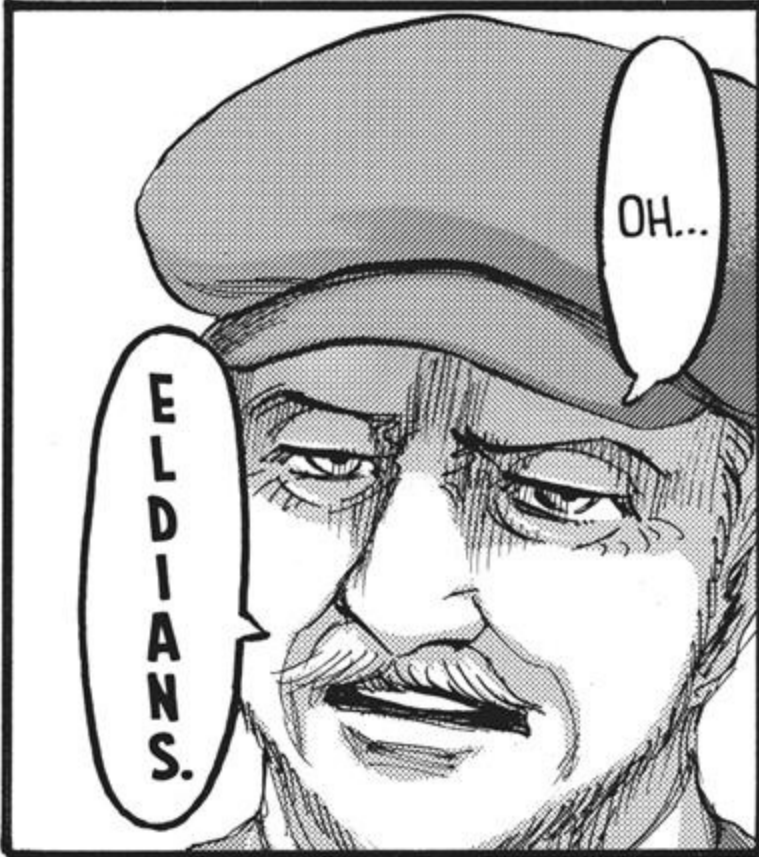
IT'S
AS SMALL AS
A BIRDCAGE
COMPARED TO
THE REST
OF THE
WORLD.



...!
NO,
WE'LL
LEAVE.

I'LL
COME
BACK
LATER.

VISITORS
THIS EARLY?
YOU DON'T
SEE THAT
EVERY DAY.



OH...

E
L
D
I
A
N
S.



MMH
...?



WE HAVE
PERMISSION
TO BE OUT
HERE!

WHAT
WAS THAT
FOR
?!



IT'S MY
JOB TO
RID IT OF
FILTH.

I'M
HERE TO
CLEAN
THIS TOWER
UP, NOT
GUARD
IT.



NGH?!

GASH



IT'D BE
NATURAL
FOR
YOUR KIND
TO BE
EXTERMI-
NATED...!

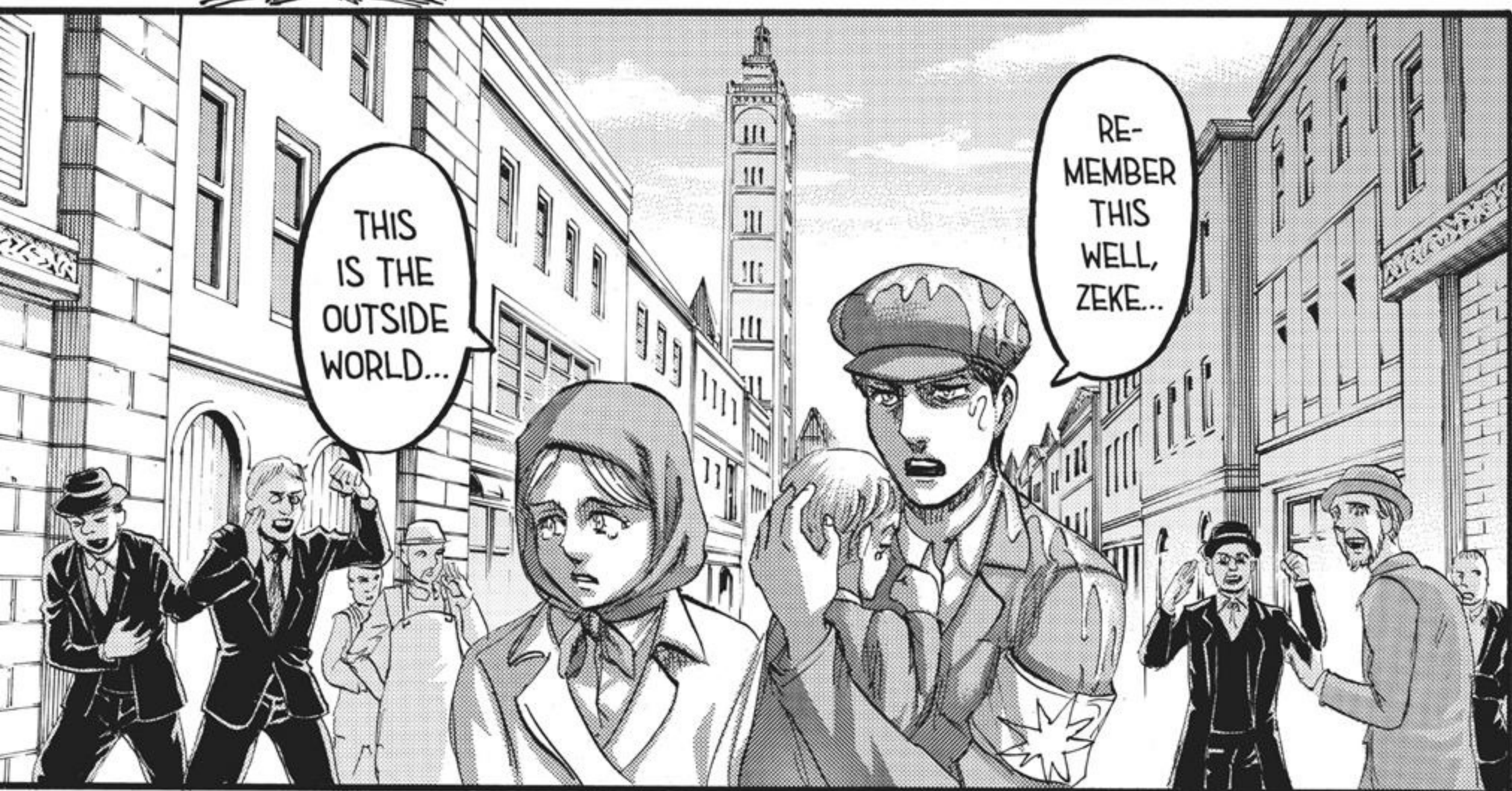
YOU
DESCENDENTS
OF DEVILS
WHO'VE
MASSACRED
EVERY LAST
THING YOU
COULD!

YOU
DEMONS
HAVE
TAINTED
MY WORK-
PLACE!



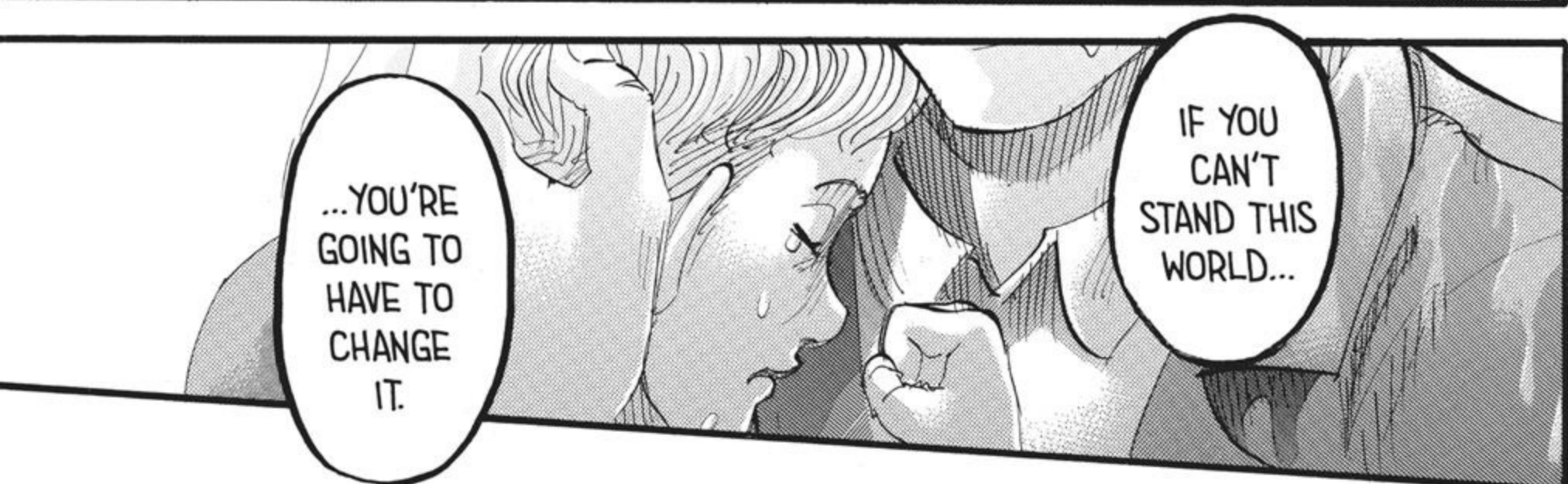
WHY'D
YOU GIVE
BIRTH TO
ANOTHER
DEVIL?!

INSTEAD,
YOU'RE
BREEDING
AGAIN!
THAT BRAT!



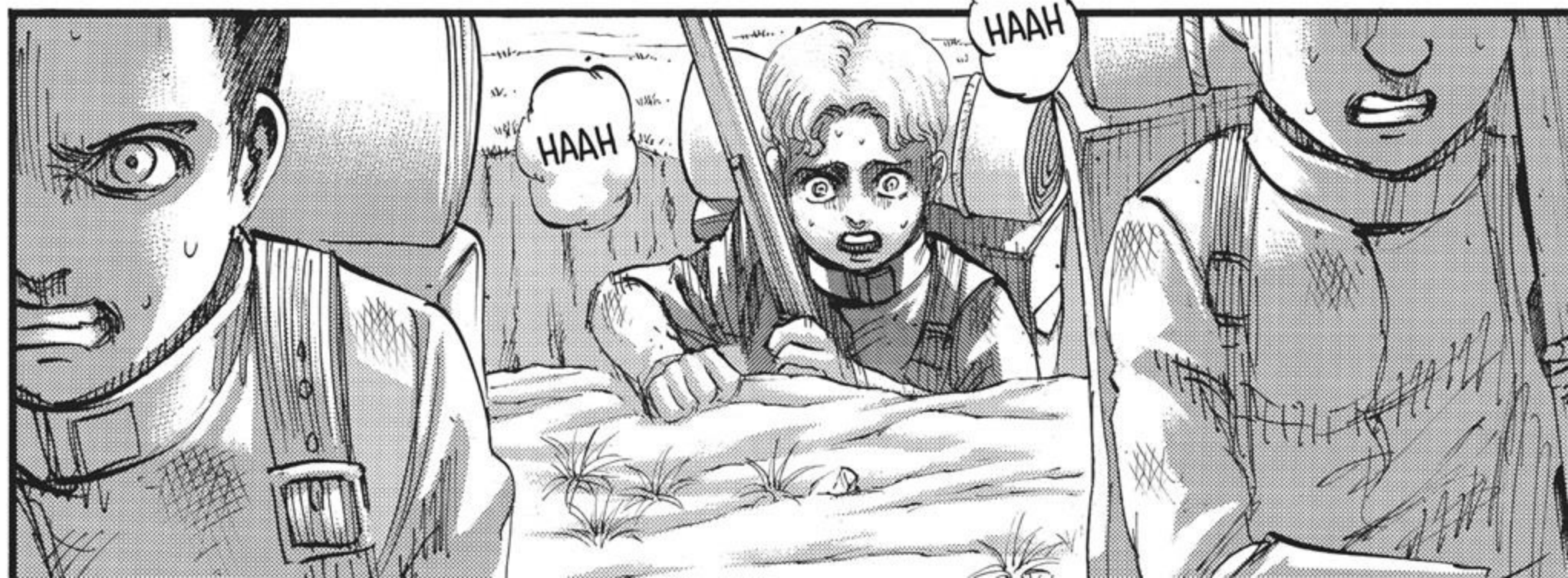
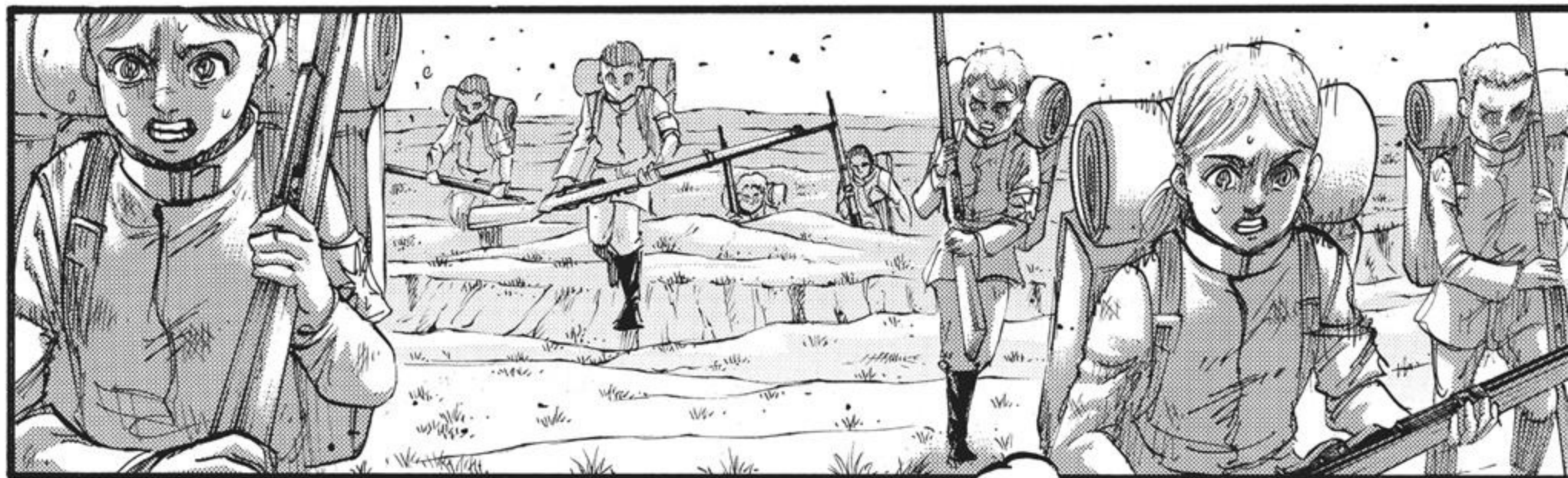
THIS
IS THE
OUTSIDE
WORLD...

RE-
MEMBER
THIS
WELL,
ZEKE...



...YOU'RE
GOING TO
HAVE TO
CHANGE
IT.

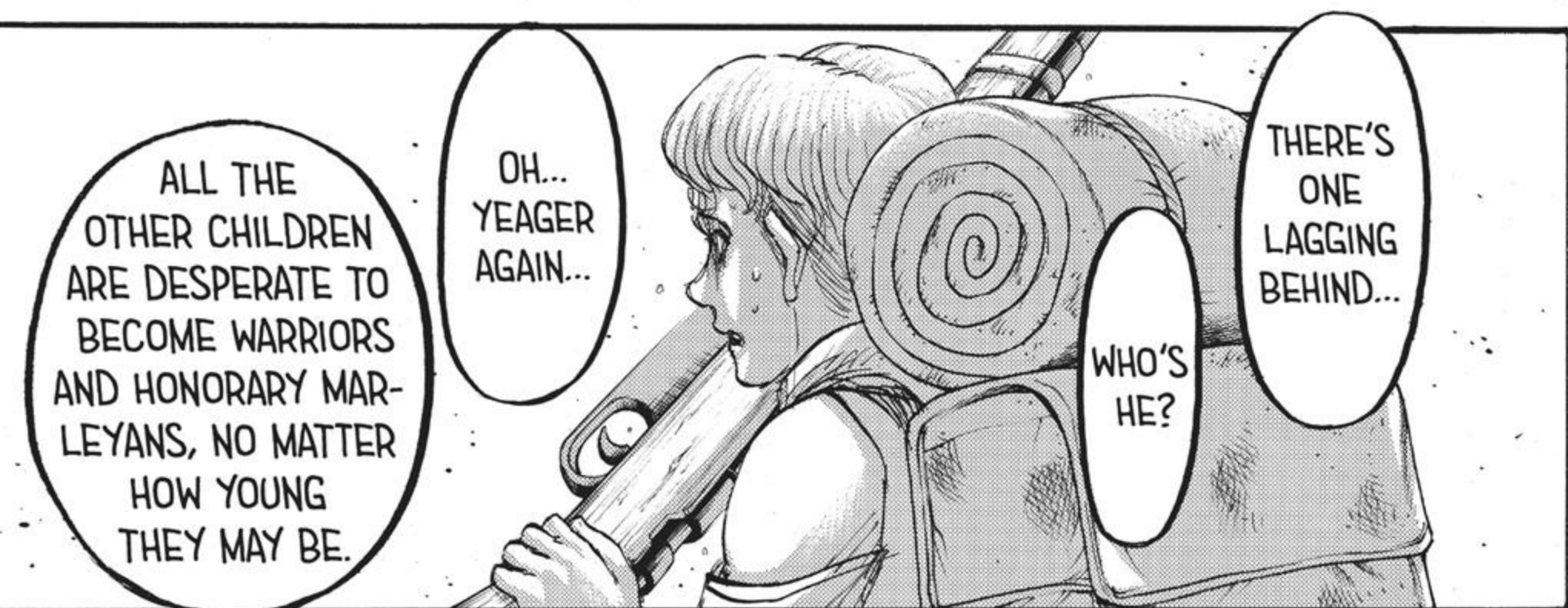
IF YOU
CAN'T
STAND THIS
WORLD...





ONE
OF THESE
CHILDREN
WILL BE MY
SUCCESSOR?

YES,
ONE OF
THEM
WILL BE
CHOSEN.



ALL THE
OTHER CHILDREN
ARE DESPERATE TO
BECOME WARRIORS
AND HONORARY MAR-
LEYANS, NO MATTER
HOW YOUNG
THEY MAY BE.

OH...
YEAGER
AGAIN...

THERE'S
ONE
LAGGING
BEHIND...

WHO'S
HE?



WHAT
IS HE
EVEN
DOING
HERE?

BUT I
DON'T SEE
ANY SIGNS
OF THAT
FROM HIM
AT ALL...



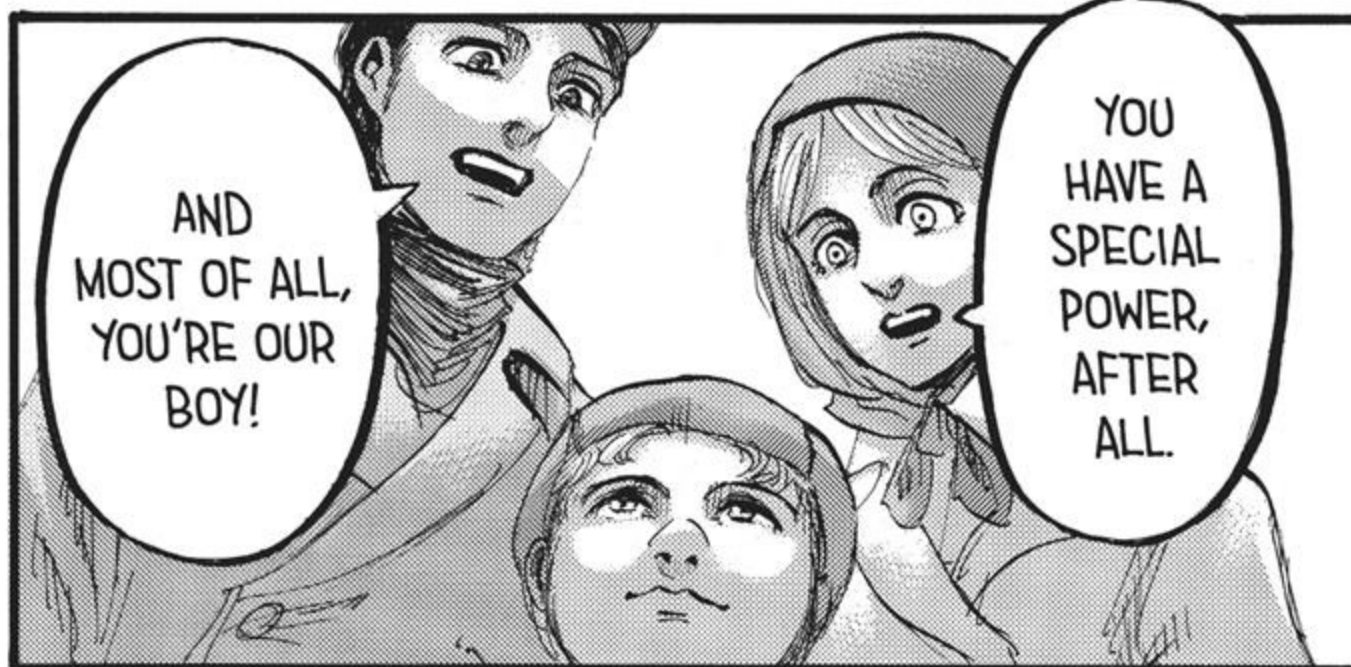
I SEE...
BUT I KNOW
YOU CAN
DO IT AND
BECOME A
WARRIOR.

...
REALLY
TOUGH.

HOW'S
TRAINING,
ZEKE?

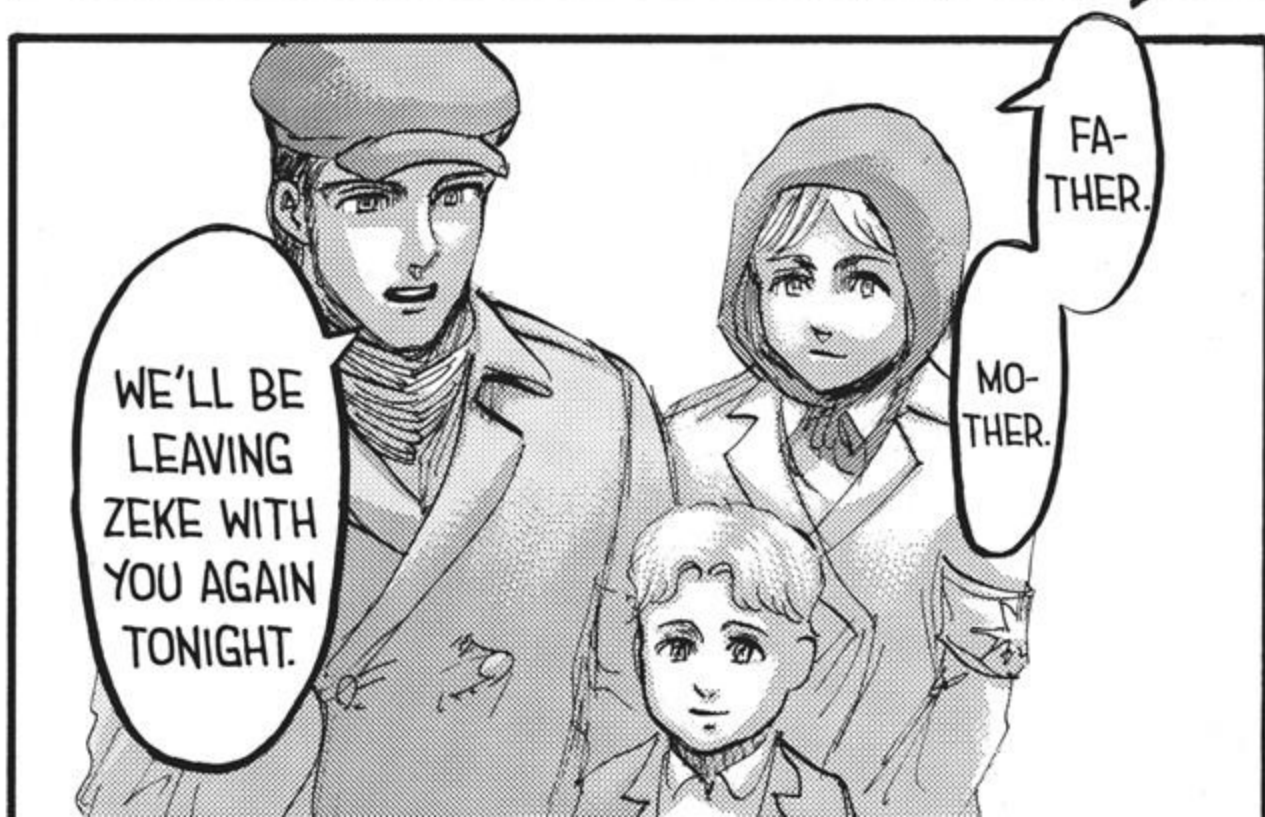


...
YEAH.



AND
MOST OF ALL,
YOU'RE OUR
BOY!

YOU
HAVE A
SPECIAL
POWER,
AFTER
ALL.



WE'LL BE
LEAVING
ZEKE WITH
YOU AGAIN
TONIGHT.

FA-
THER.

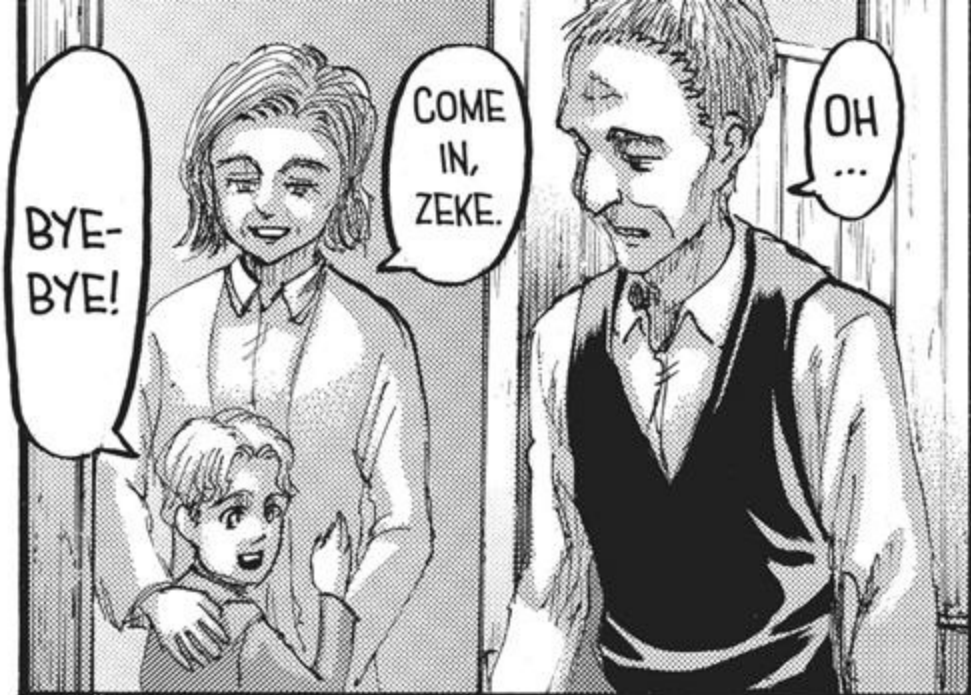
MO-
THER.





GOOD NIGHT, ZEKE.

BE A GOOD BOY.



BYE-BYE!

COME IN, ZEKE.

OH ...



I JUST WANT TO KEEP LIBERIO HEALTHY.

PA, YOU KNOW I'M ENCOURAGING FOLKS TO EXERCISE TO MAINTAIN OUR ZONE'S HEALTH.

SON... DO YOU REALLY NEED TO LEAVE SUCH A YOUNG BOY WITH US EVERY NIGHT JUST FOR THIS... SOCIAL DANCE CLUB OF YOURS?



ZEKE WILL UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE DOING FOR HIM.

BUT... ONE DAY.



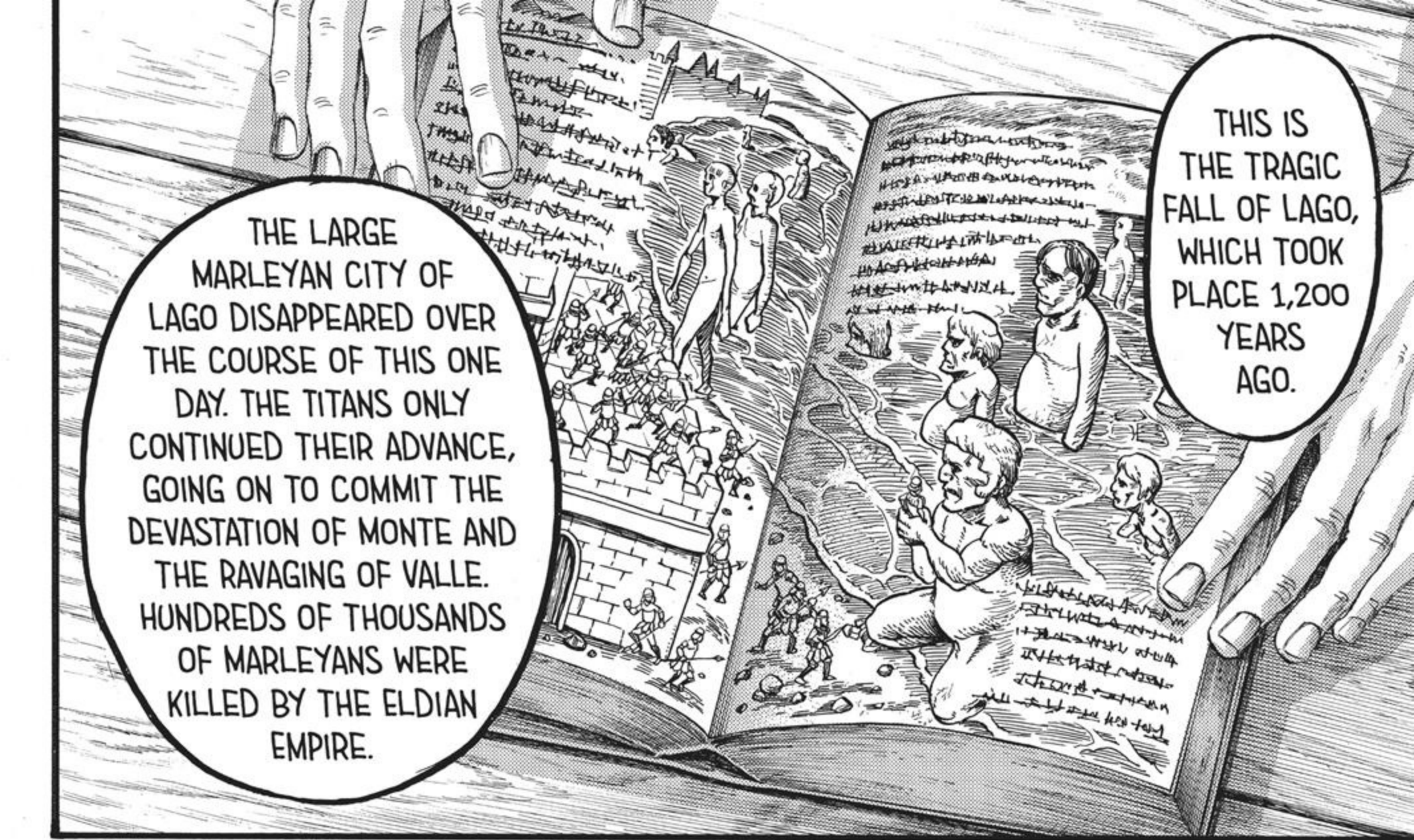
YES... AND WE WISH WE COULD ALWAYS BE BY HIS SIDE, TOO.

ZEKE MISSES YOU.

I JUST THINK MAYBE YOU OUGHT TO CARE FOR YOUR FAMILY MORE THAN EVERYONE'S HEALTH.



ONE DAY... I'M SURE OF IT.



THE LARGE MARLEYAN CITY OF LAGO DISAPPEARED OVER THE COURSE OF THIS ONE DAY. THE TITANS ONLY CONTINUED THEIR ADVANCE, GOING ON TO COMMIT THE DEVASTATION OF MONTE AND THE RAVAGING OF VALLE. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF MARLEYANS WERE KILLED BY THE ELDIAN EMPIRE.

THIS IS THE TRAGIC FALL OF LAGO, WHICH TOOK PLACE 1,200 YEARS AGO.

A LOT OF PEOPLE DIED, RIGHT?

...BUT THE ELDIAN EMPIRE HAD PLANTED TITANS IN THE MARLEYANS' ESCAPE ROUTES. AS DAY BROKE, THE TITANS AWOK AND THE MARLEYANS WERE...

THOSE WHO SOMEHOW MANAGED TO FLEE LAGO WERE FORCED TO WANDER THE RUINS...

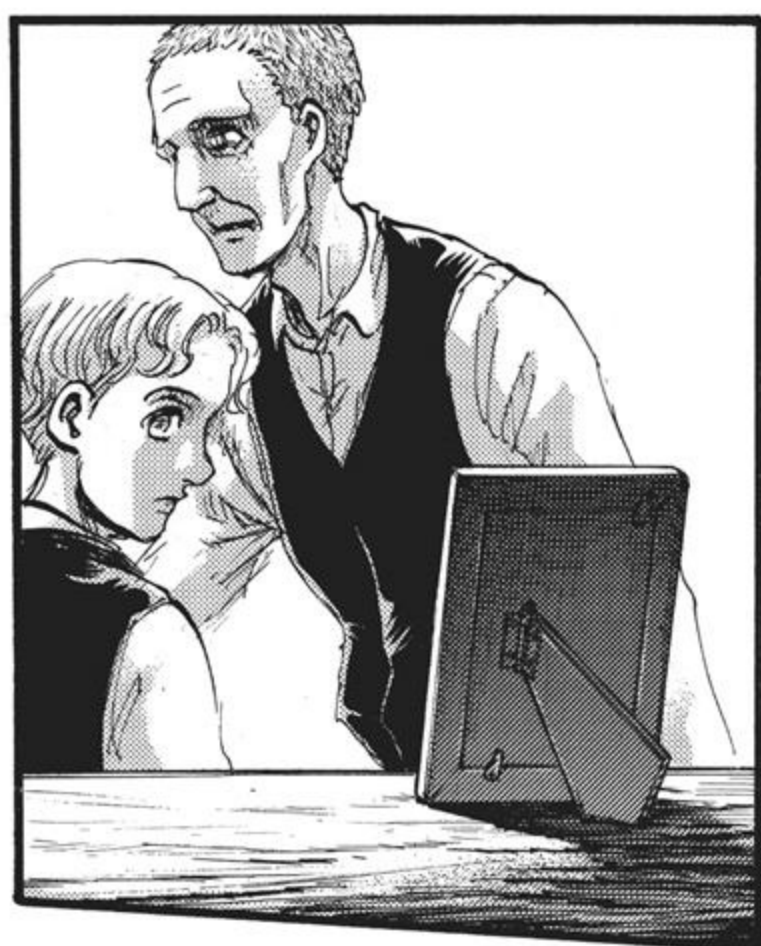
I KNOW.

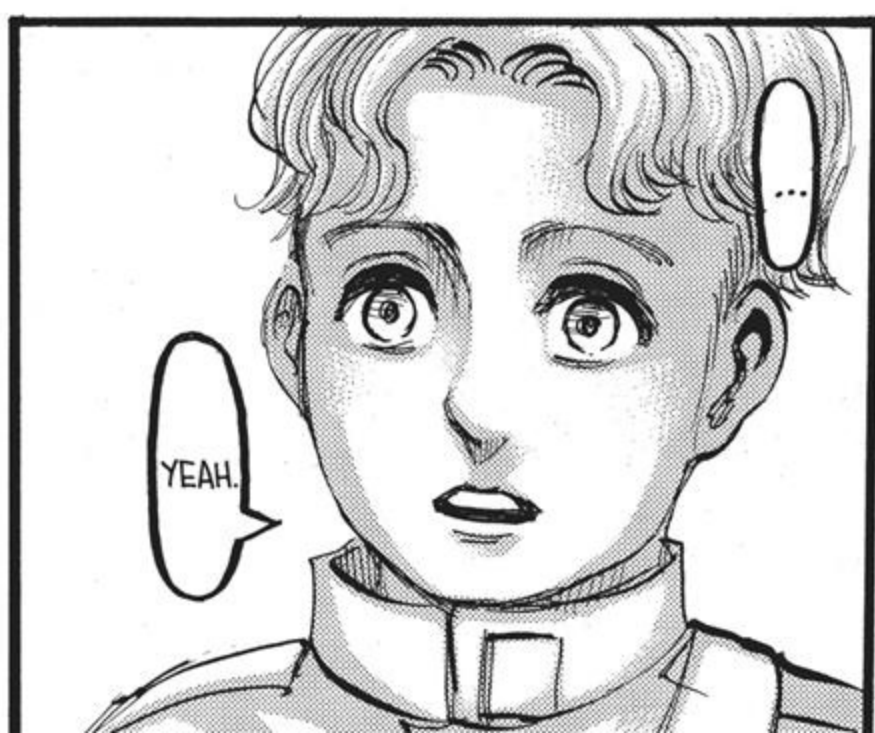
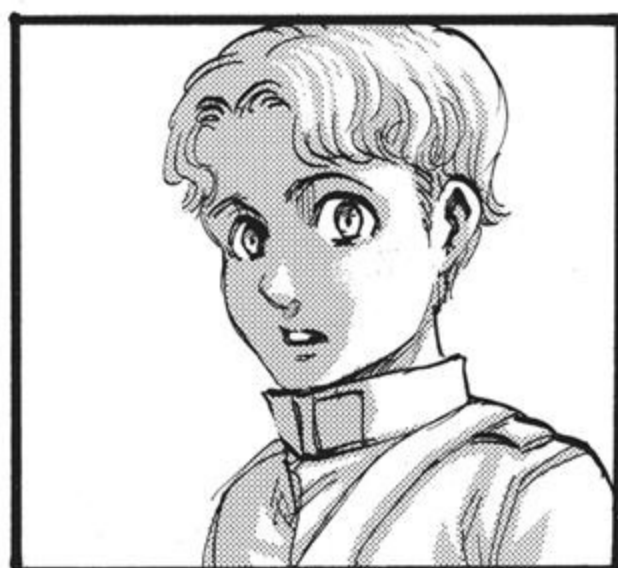
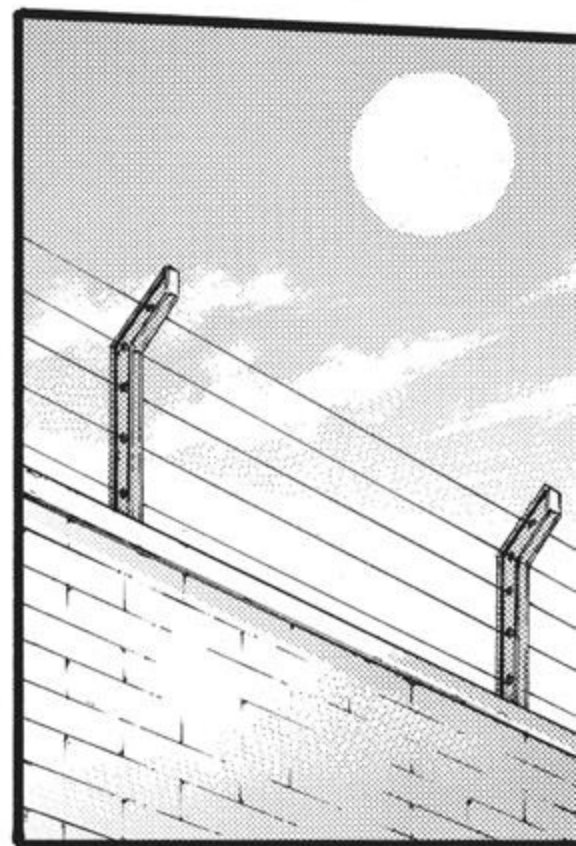
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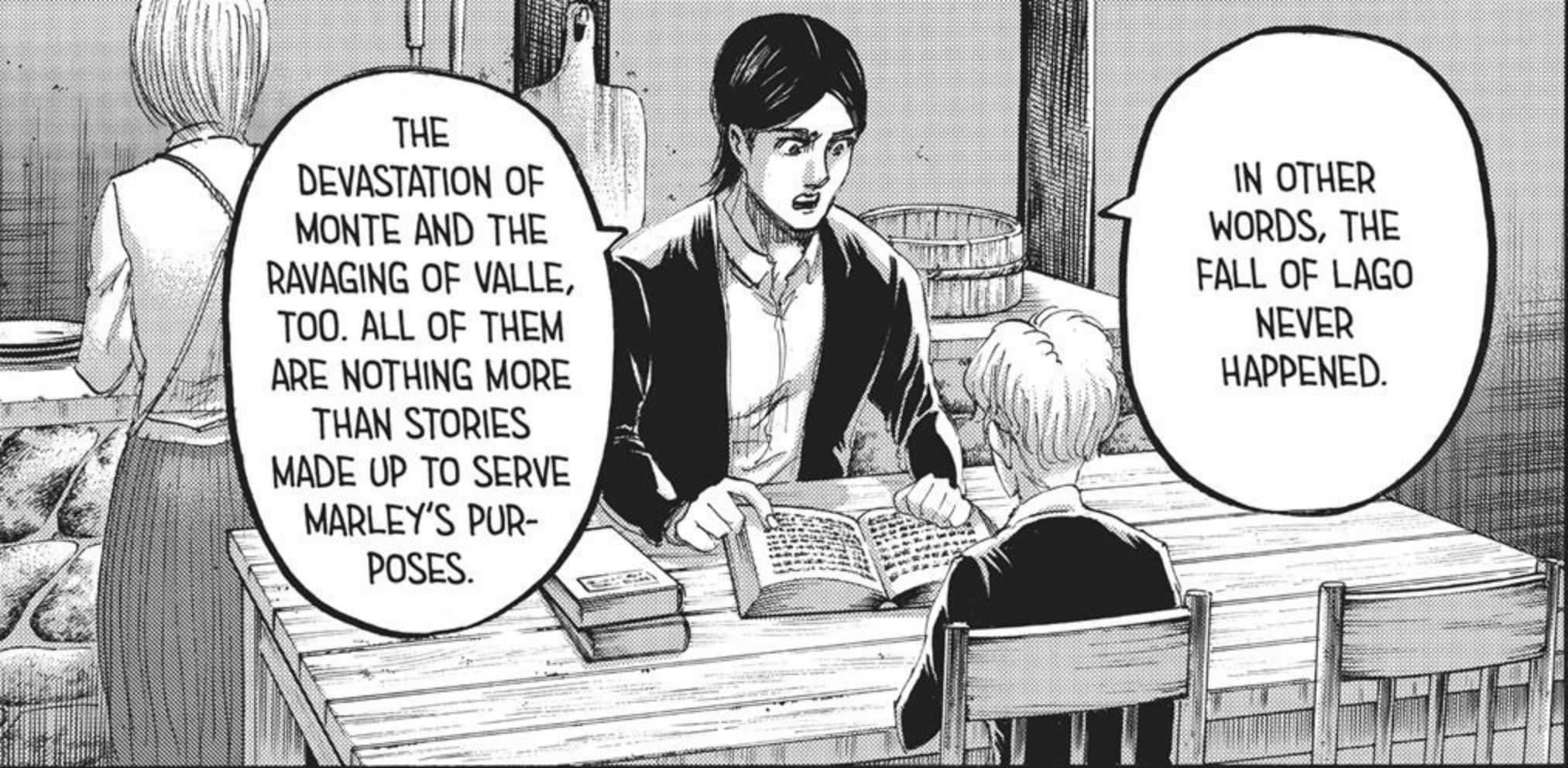
DAD SAYS THE SAME THINGS THEY TEACH ME AT SCHOOL.

YEAH. HE SAYS THAT ELDIANS DID AWFUL THINGS TO MARLEYANS, WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE TO ATONE FOR THAT HERE.

IS YOUR FATHER... REALLY TEACHING YOU OUR TRUE HISTORY?







THE
DEVASTATION OF
MONTE AND THE
RAVAGING OF VALLE,
TOO. ALL OF THEM
ARE NOTHING MORE
THAN STORIES
MADE UP TO SERVE
MARLEY'S PUR-
POSES.

IN OTHER
WORDS, THE
FALL OF LAGO
NEVER
HAPPENED.



OUR GREAT
FOUNDER YMIR
WOULD NEVER
WISH FOR IT.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.



AFTER
ALL—

ELDIANS
HAVE NEVER
HAD SUCH CRUEL
CUSTOMS OR
A BRUTAL
CULTURE.

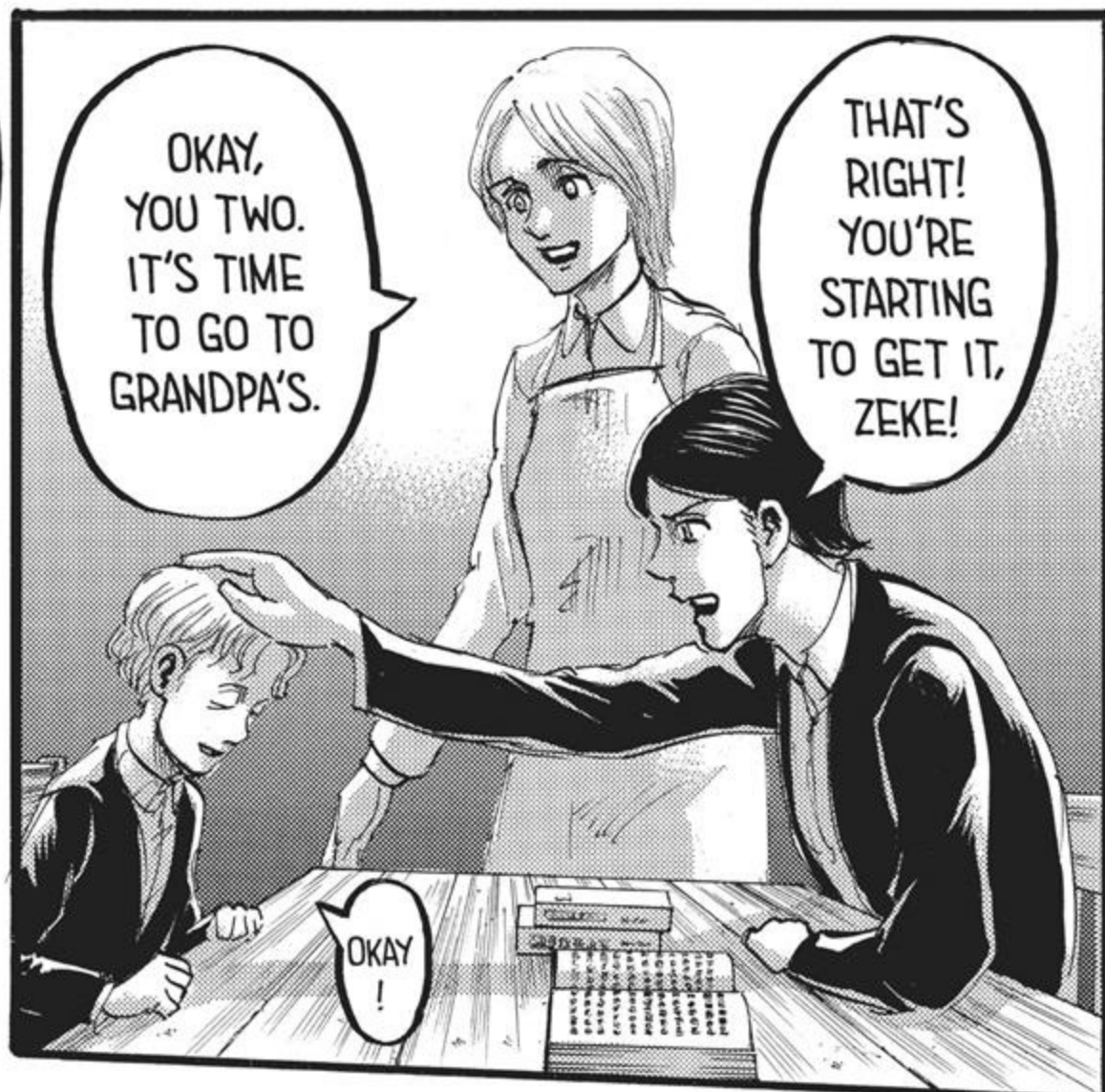


YEAH
!



WE'RE
ANOTHER STEP
CLOSER TO
RESTORING
ELDIA!

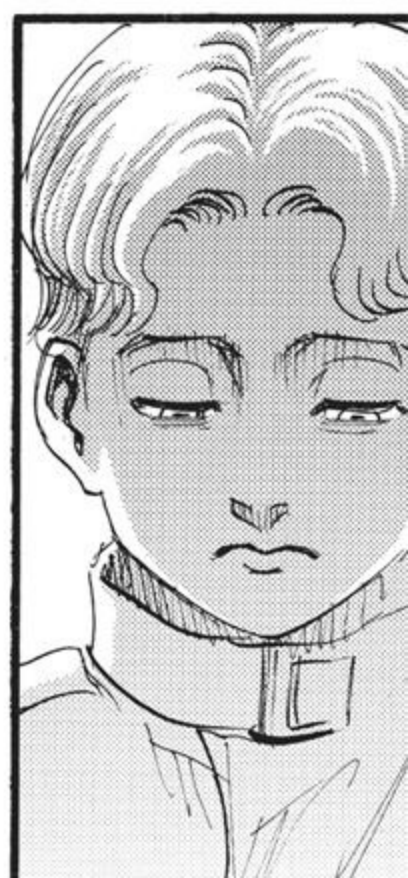
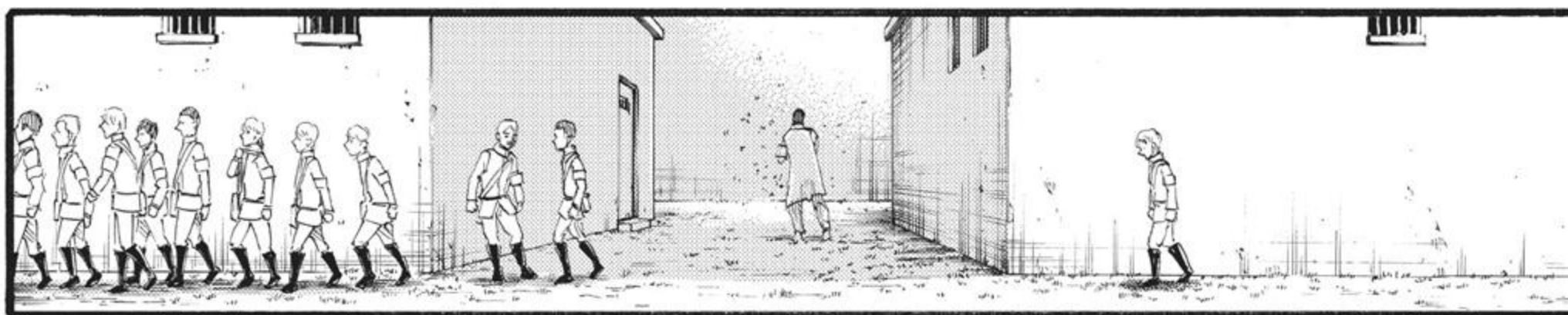
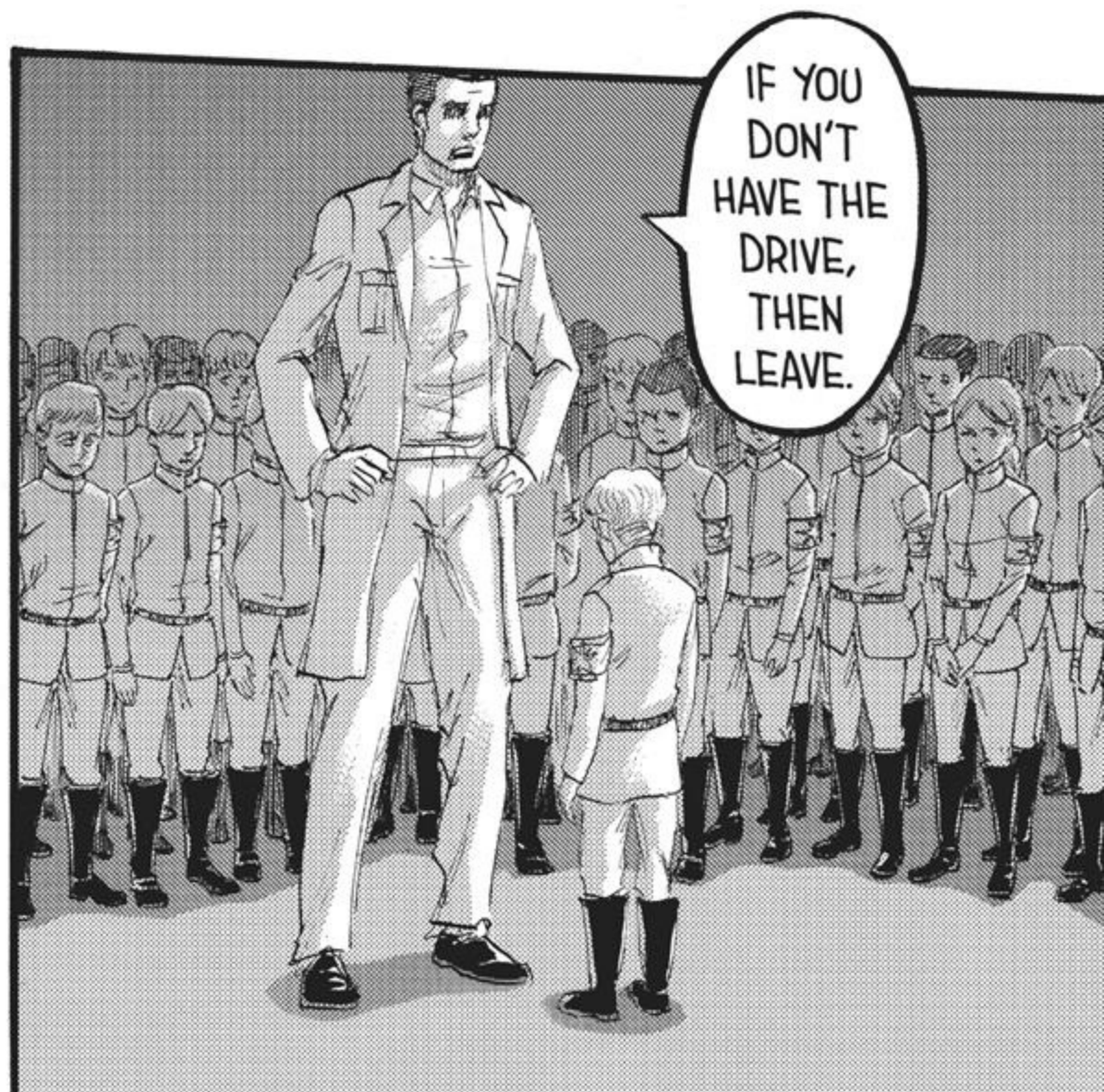
ALL
RIGHT
!

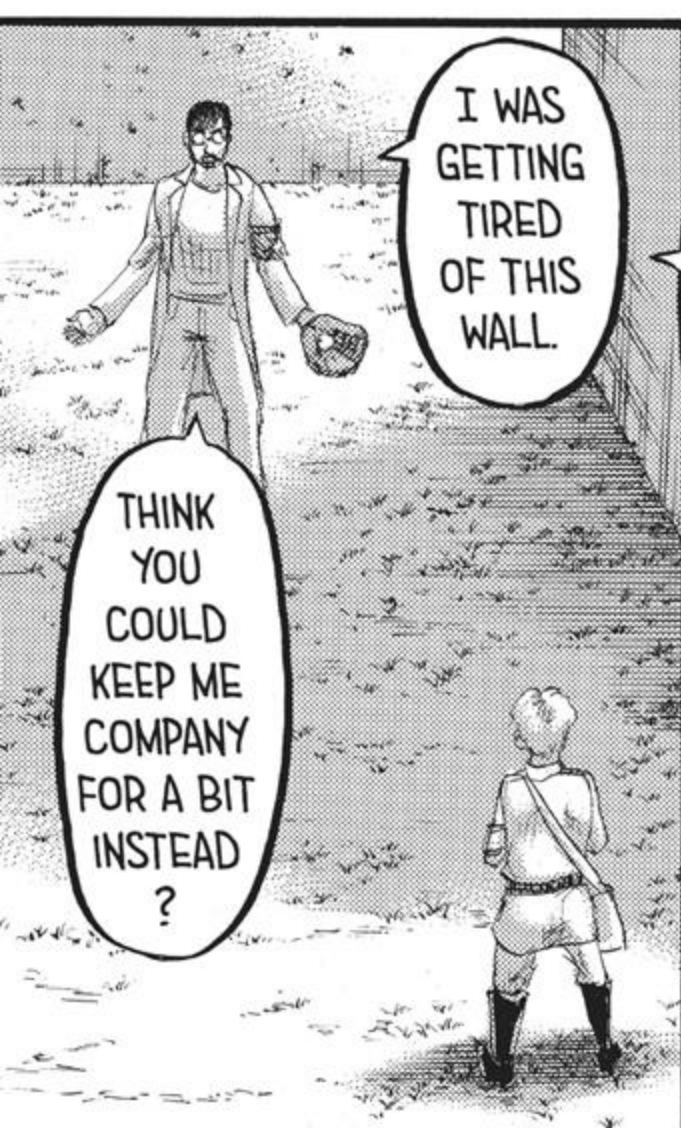


OKAY,
YOU TWO.
IT'S TIME
TO GO TO
GRANDPA'S.

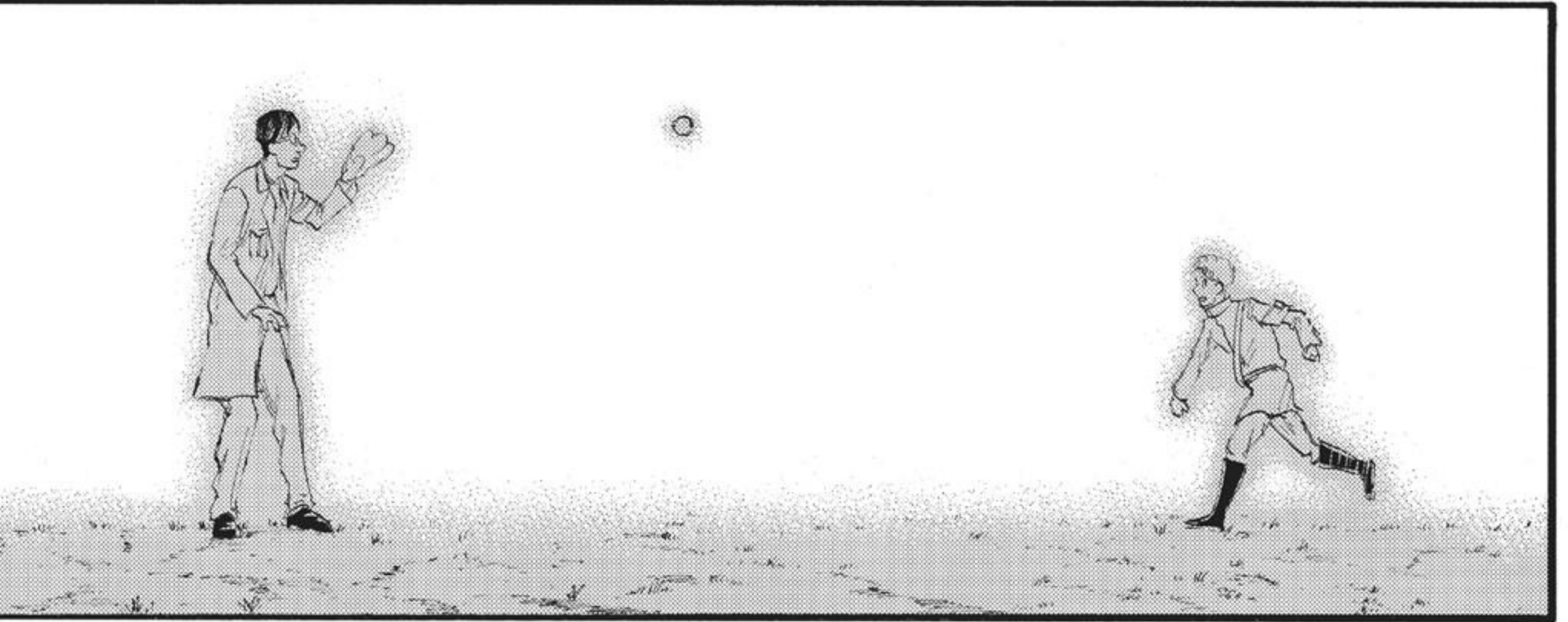
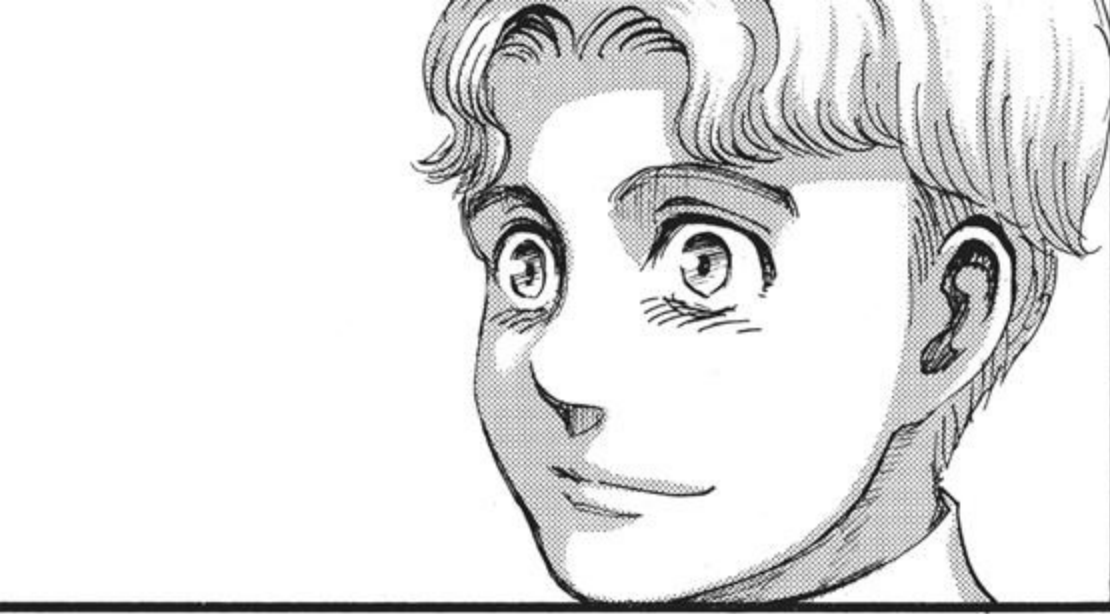
THAT'S
RIGHT!
YOU'RE
STARTING
TO GET IT,
ZEKE!

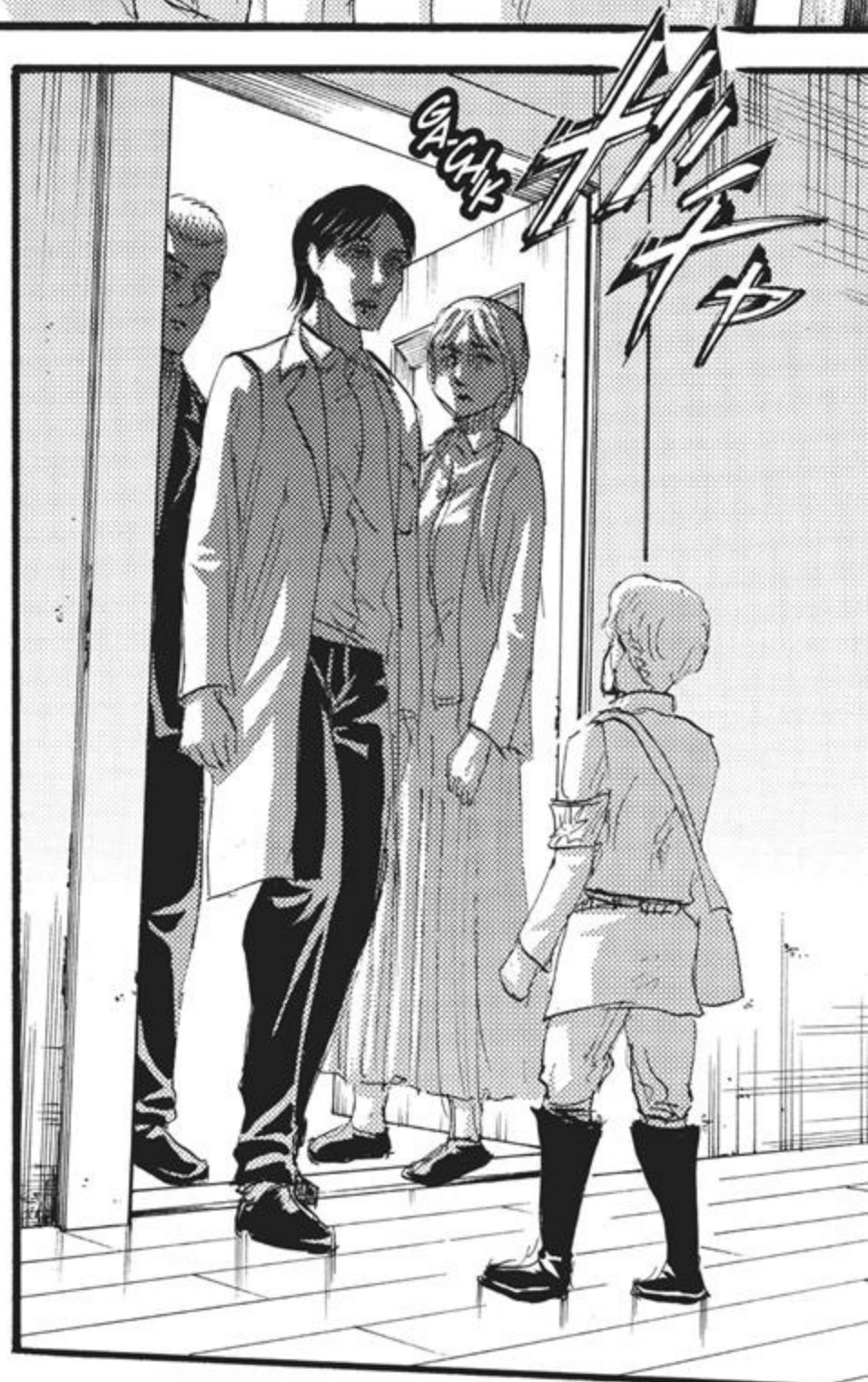
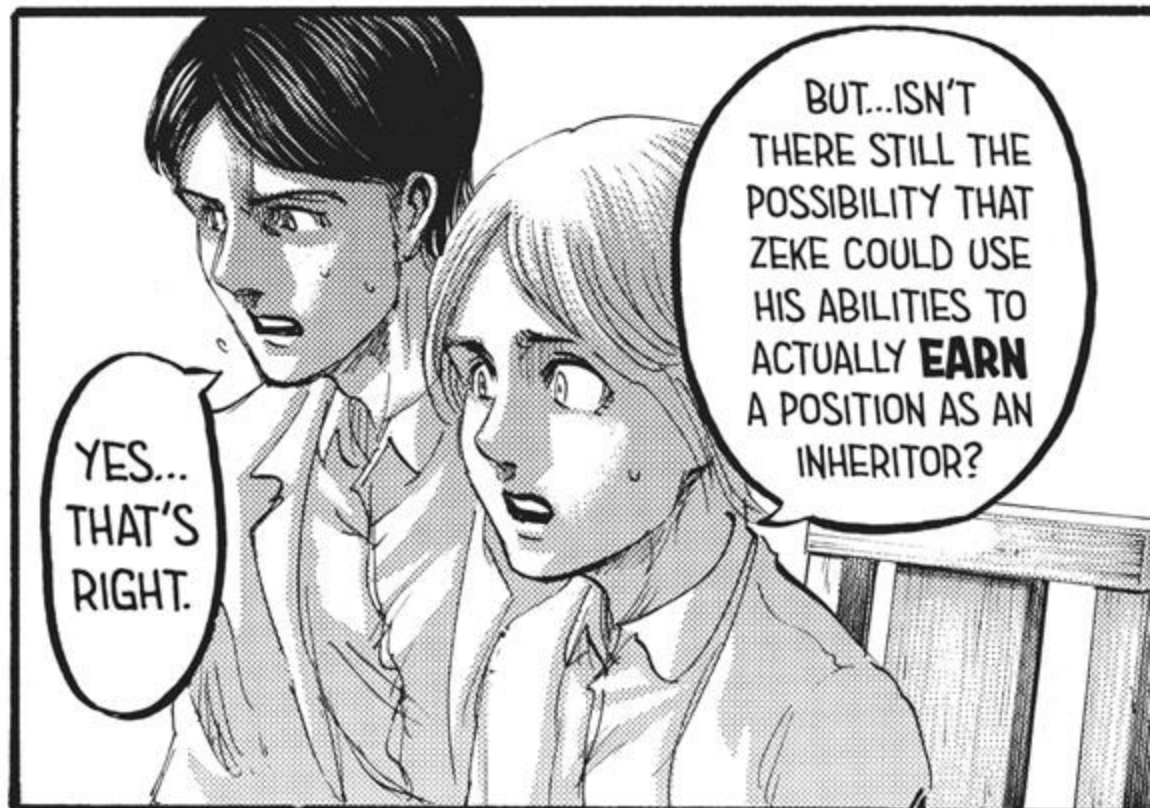
OKAY
!

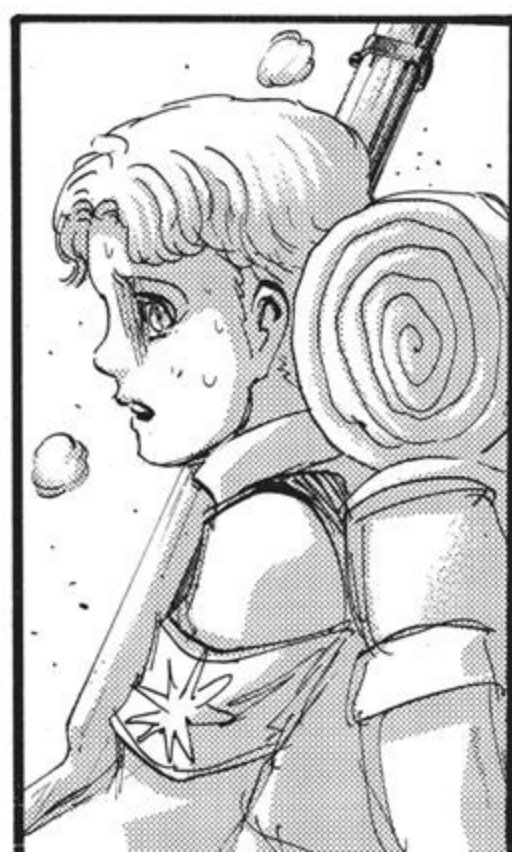
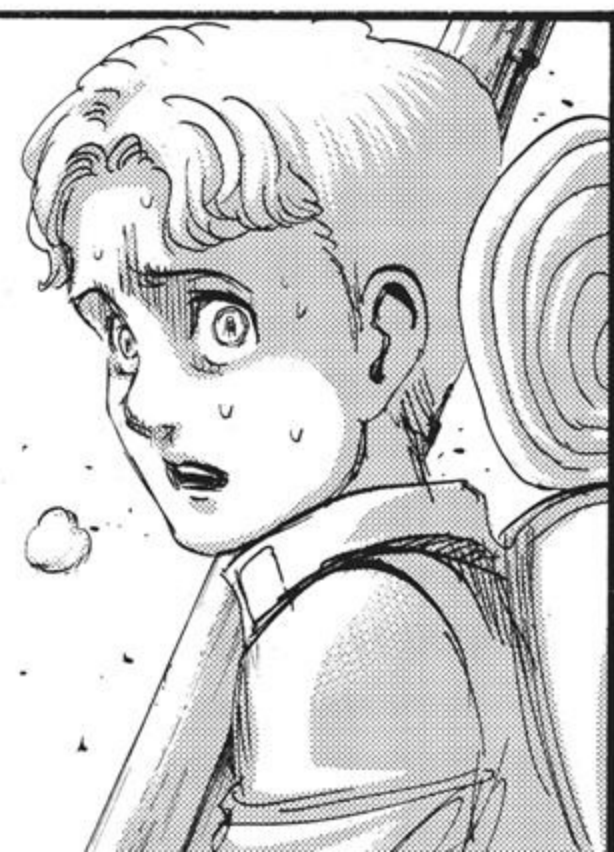
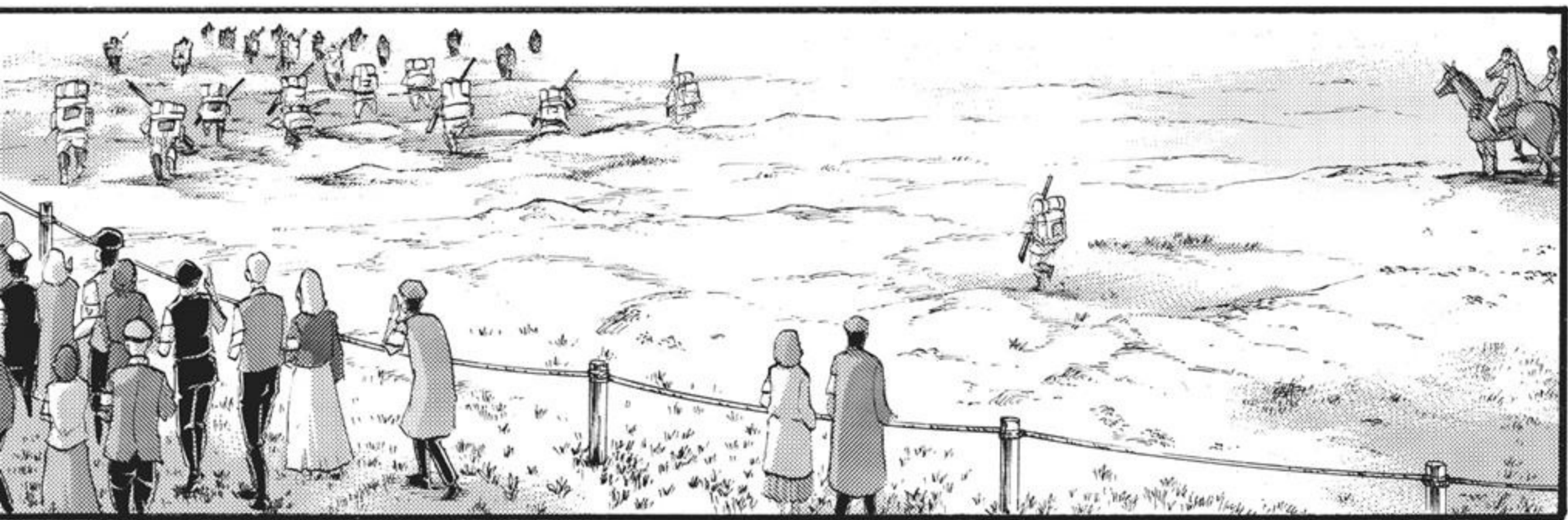


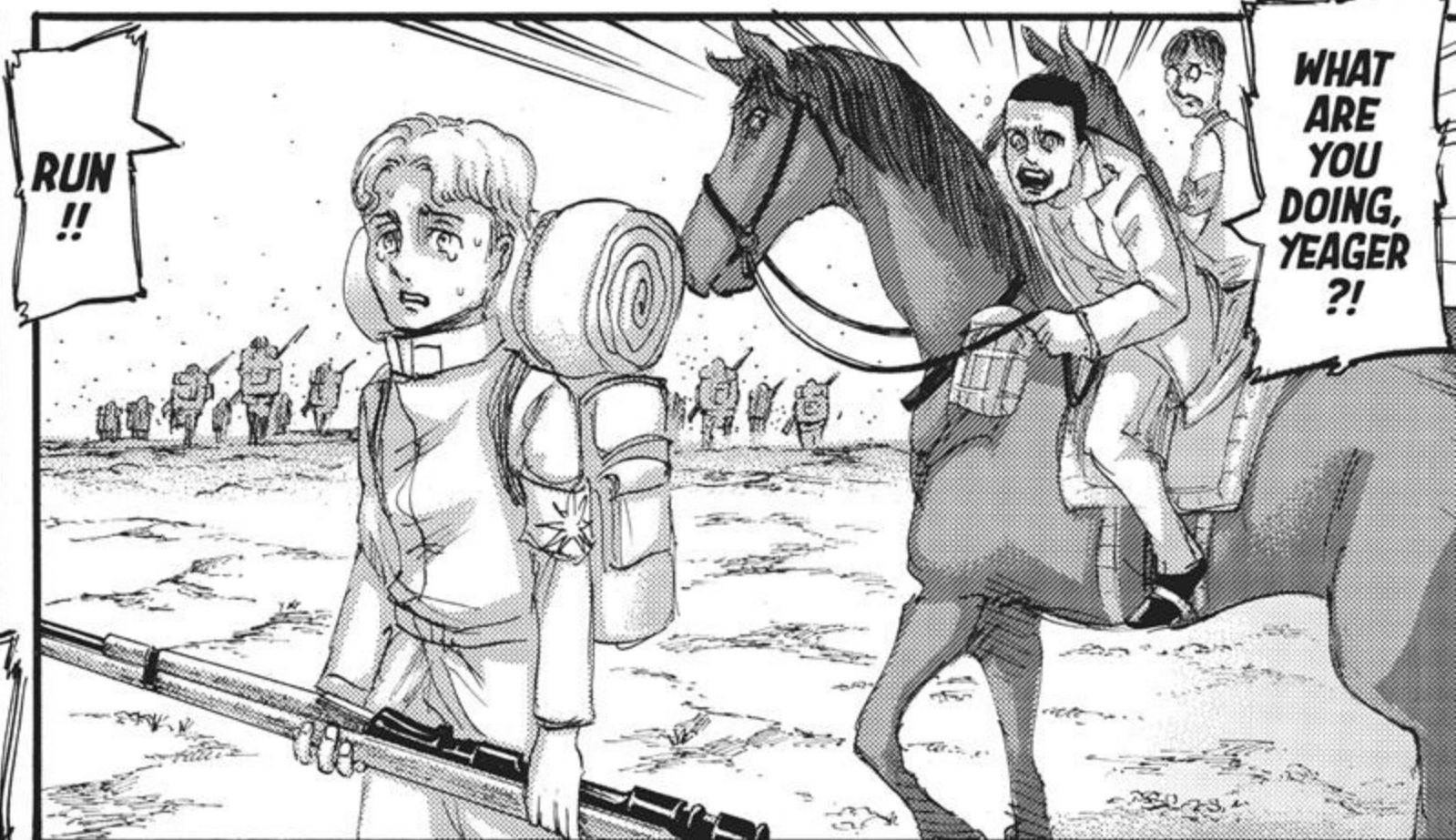
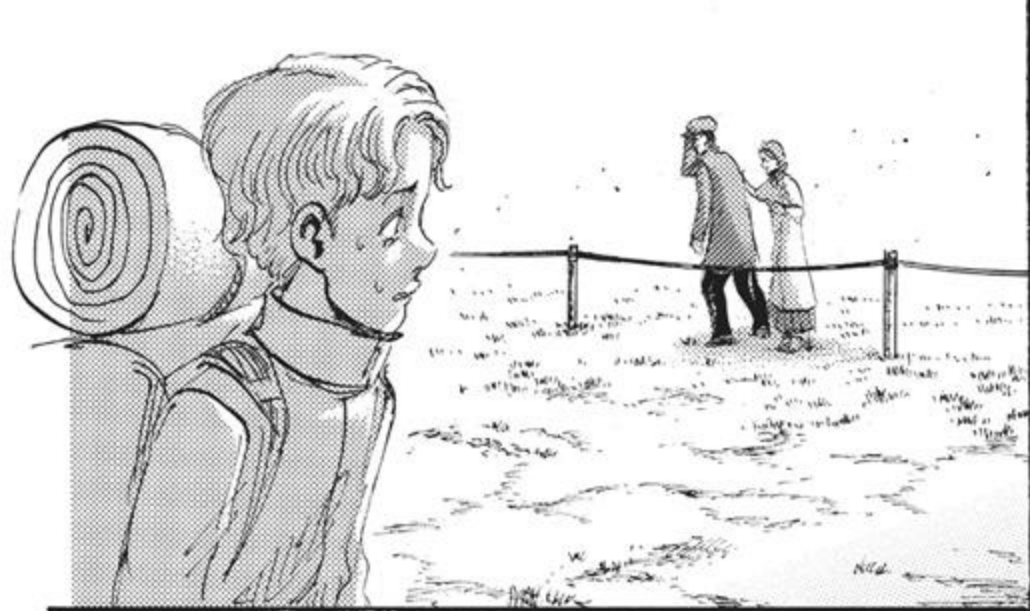








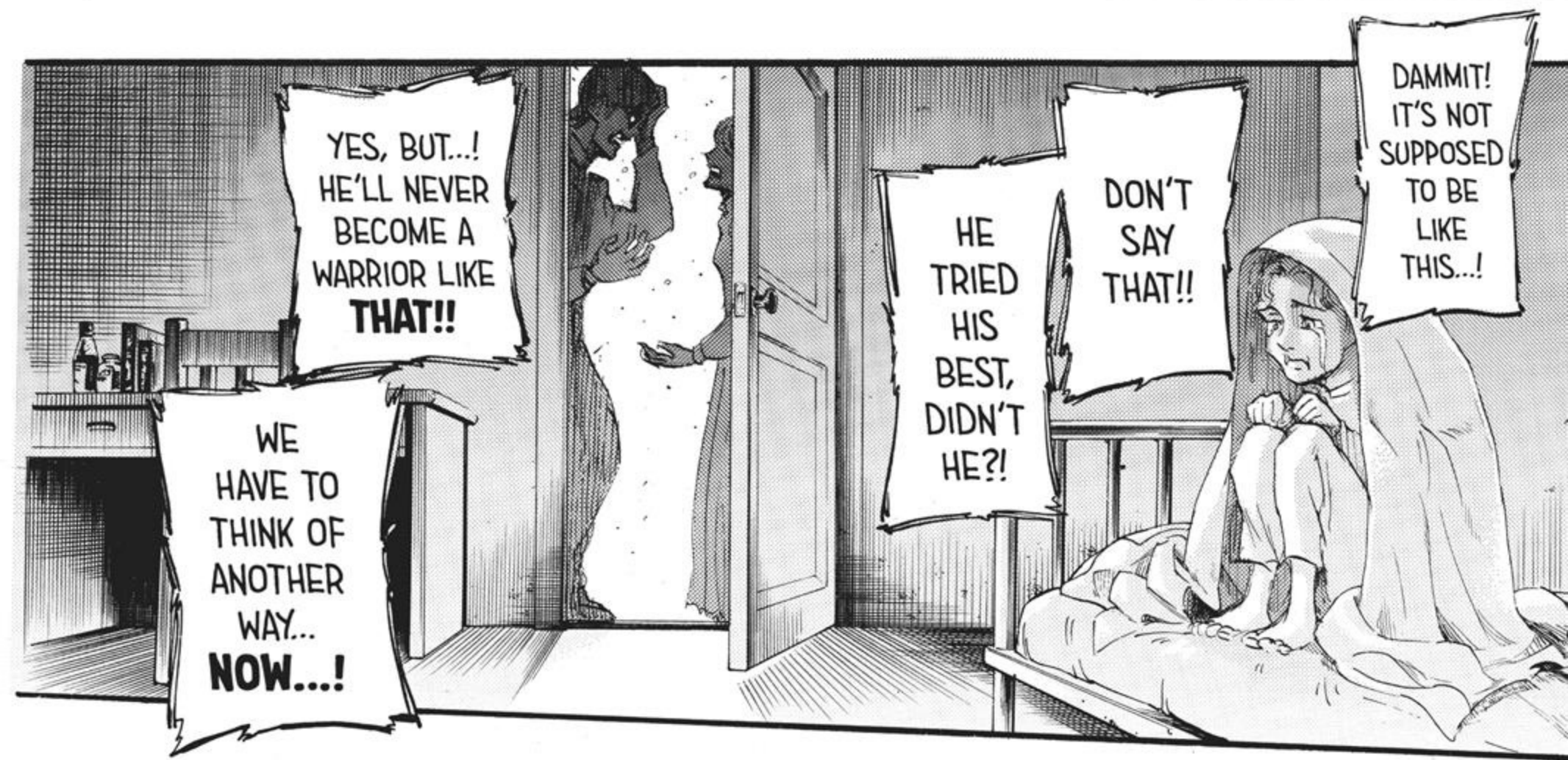




RUN !!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YEAGER ?!

COME ON! RUN!!



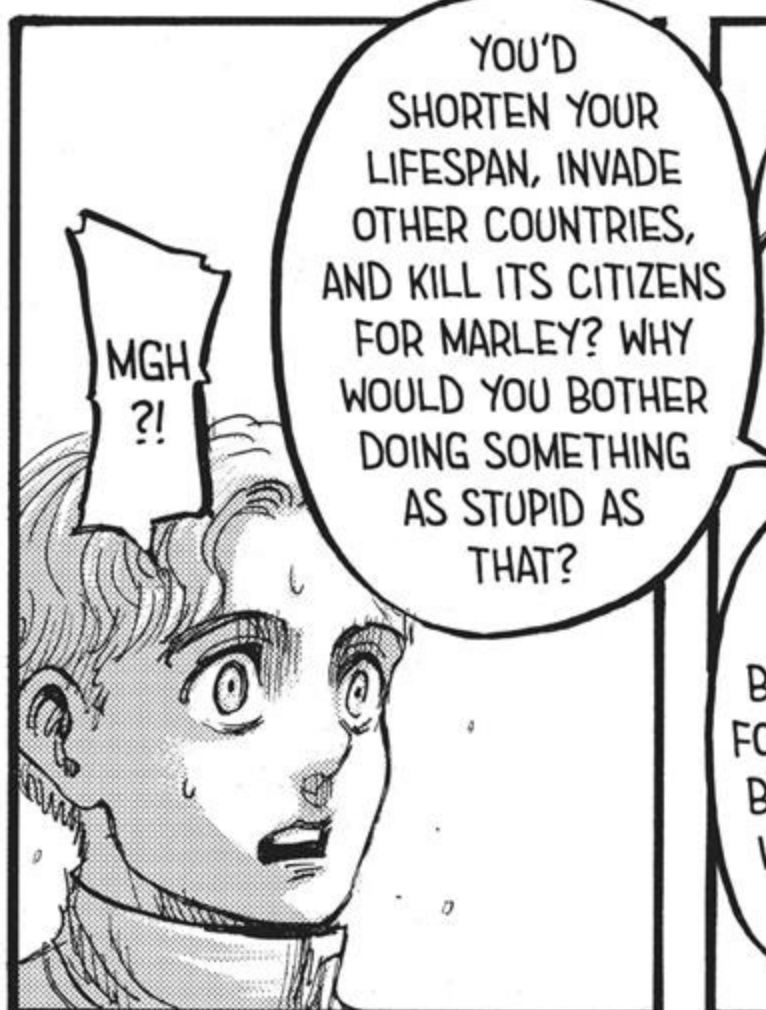
YES, BUT...! HE'LL NEVER BECOME A WARRIOR LIKE THAT!!

WE HAVE TO THINK OF ANOTHER WAY... NOW...!

HE TRIED HIS BEST, DIDN'T HE?!

DON'T SAY THAT!!

DAMMIT! IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS...!





DOESN'T IT SEEM RIDICULOUS TO YOU, TOO?

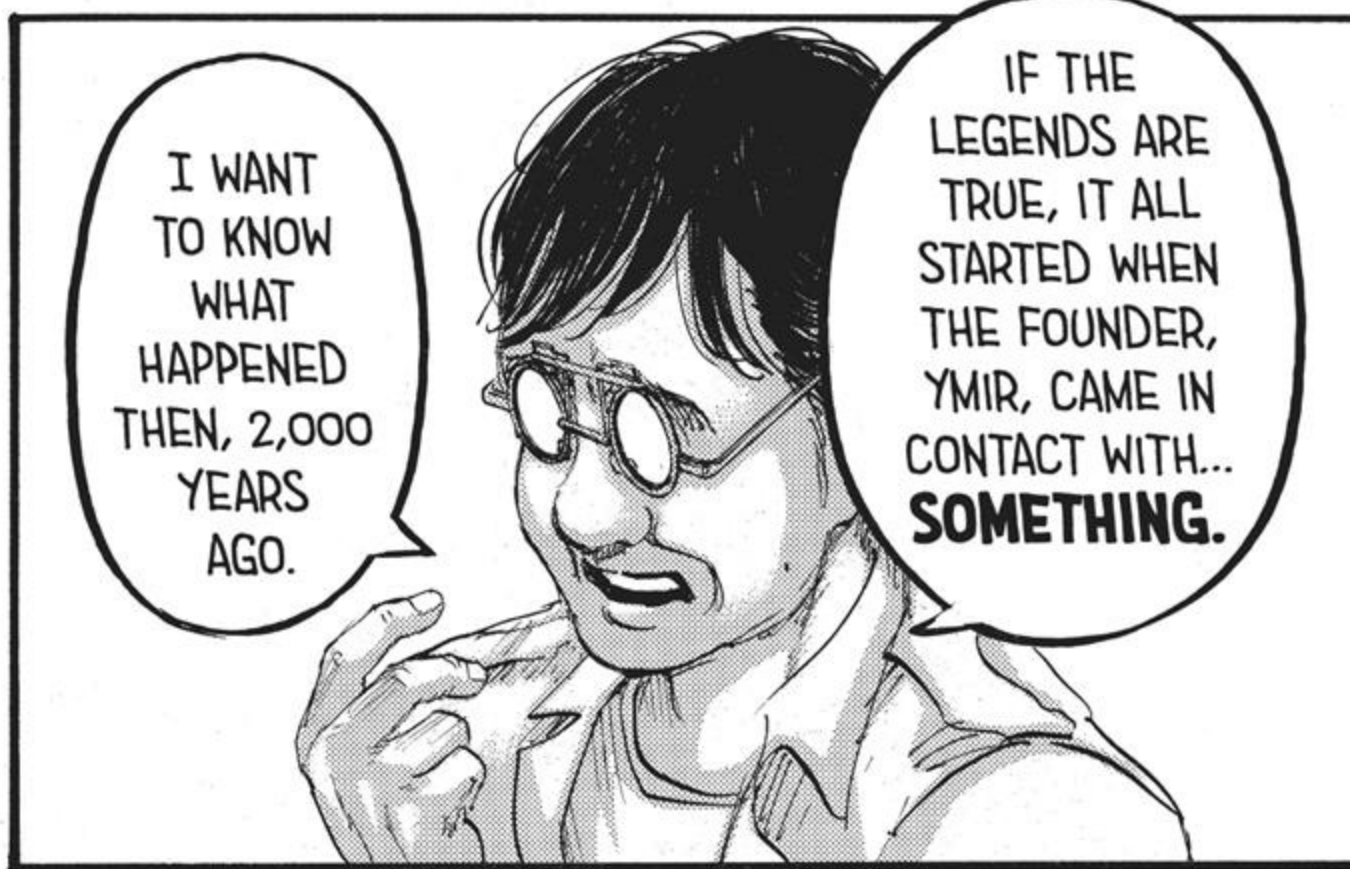
BLOOD AND FLESH AND BONES, ALL BEING SENT THROUGH SOME INVISIBLE "PATH"?

IT'S A COMPLETE MIRACLE. I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT.

THEY SAY THE NINE TITANS EXISTED FOR 2,000 YEARS BEFORE WE WERE BORN.



SO MUCH SO THAT I WAS WILLING TO SHORTEN MY LIFE TO SEARCH THROUGH A TITAN'S MEMORIES.



I WANT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED THEN, 2,000 YEARS AGO.

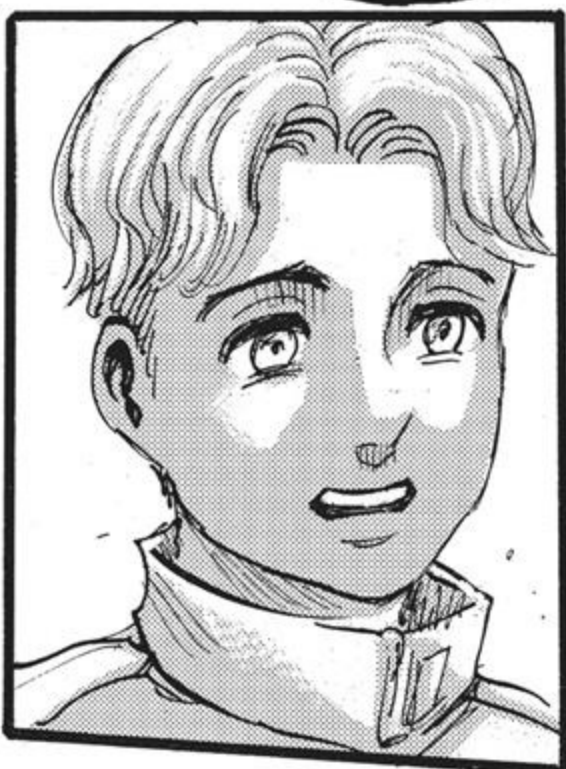
IF THE LEGENDS ARE TRUE, IT ALL STARTED WHEN THE FOUNDER, YMIR, CAME IN CONTACT WITH... **SOMETHING.**



SO I CAN'T BE BOTHERED TO PLAY WAR WITH THE REST OF THEM. YOU AND I ARE ALIKE.

IT'S JUST... HATE AND CONFLICT ALL SEEM RIDICULOUS COMPARED TO THE MYSTERIES OF THE TITANS.

THAT'S WHY I'M TOTALLY USELESS IN WAR.

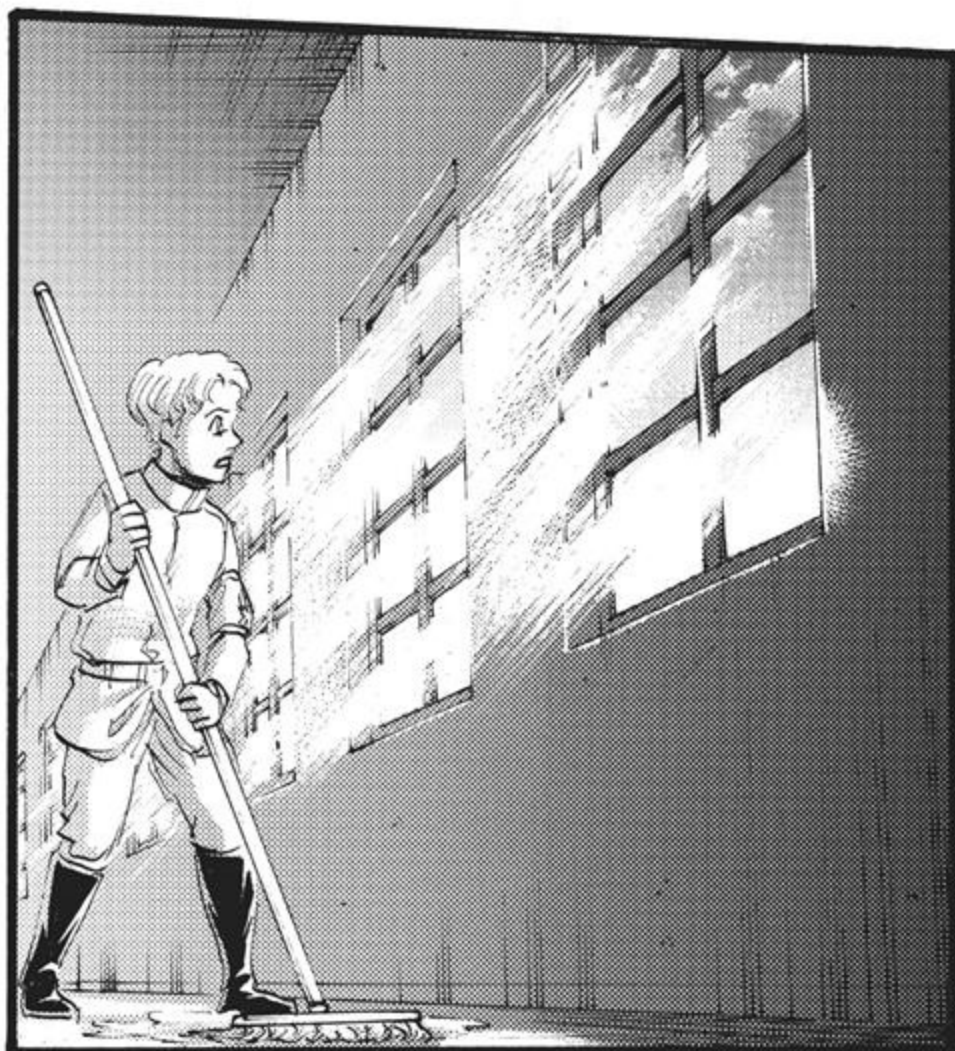


WE'RE BOTH **DECENT PEOPLE.** A REAL RARITY IN THIS WORLD.



EVEN IF
I CAN'T
LEAVE THE
INTERMENT
ZONE, I'LL
STILL BE
ALIVE...

THIS IS
FOR THE
BEST...



THEY'RE
CALLING
THEMSELVES
THE ELDIAN
RESTORATIONISTS
OR SOME-
THING.

THEY'VE
FINALLY
PINNED
'EM
DOWN.



I HEARD
A TRAITOR
WORKING FOR
MARLEY KNOWN AS
THE OWL
STARTED
IT.

THEY'RE
HOLDING
MEETINGS
EVERY NIGHT
SOMEWHERE IN
LIBERIO.

SEEMS
PRETTY
LARGE-
SCALE
THIS
TIME.

ZEKE.

ALL THAT'S
LEFT IS TO
GET SOME
PROOF. THEN
IT'S JUST A
MATTER OF
TIME.

THEY
ALREADY
HAVE A FEW
LEADS.

HURRY
UP AND
EAT.

WHAT'S
WRONG?

HUH
?!

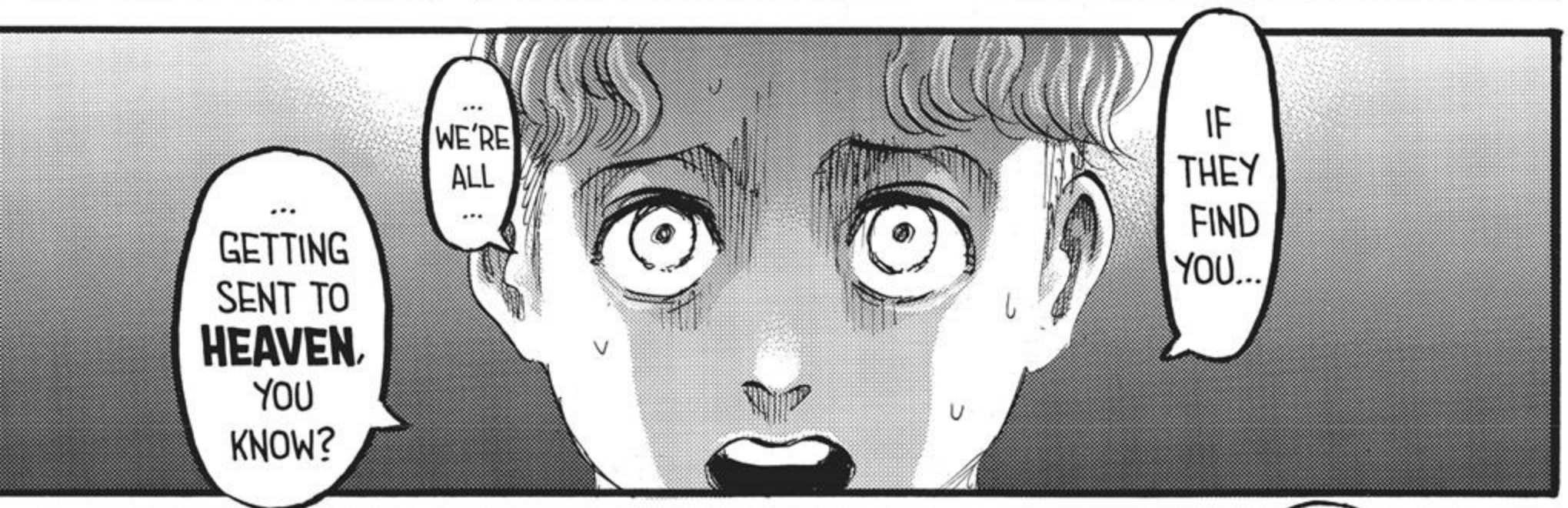
M-MY
TUMMY
IS A
LITTLE
...



PLEASE...
DON'T DO
ANYTHING
DANGEROUS
ANY-
MORE...

DAD
...

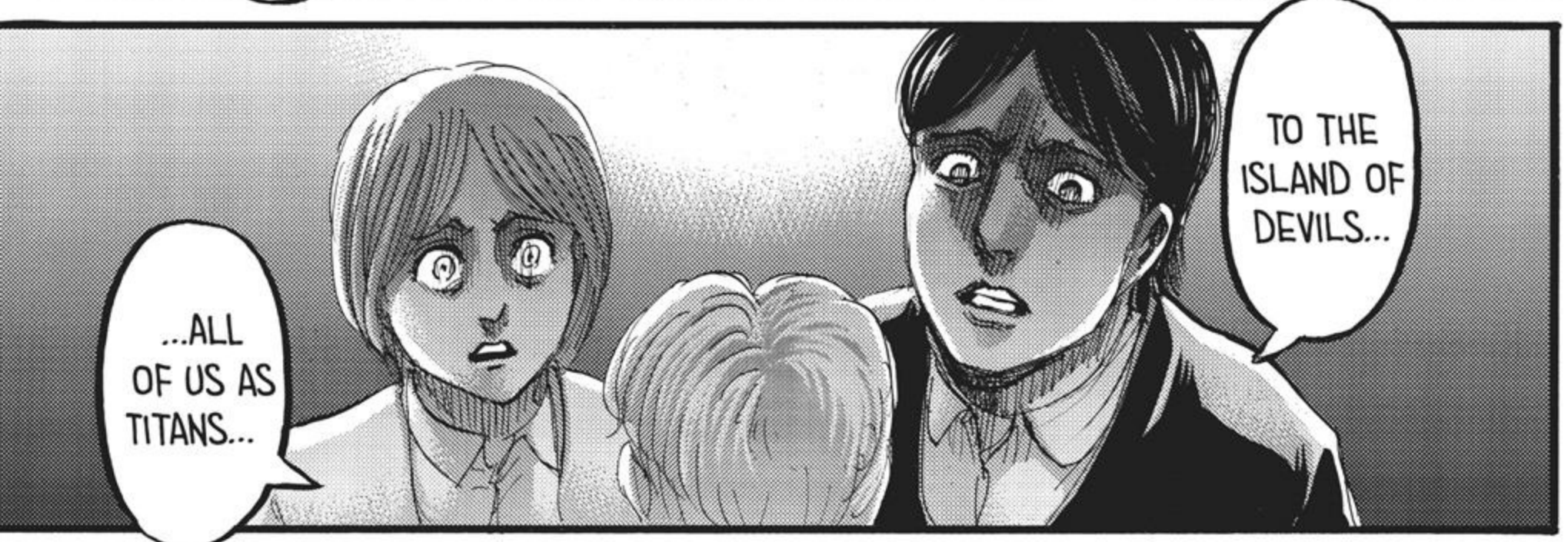
MOM
...



...
GETTING
SENT TO
HEAVEN,
YOU
KNOW?

...
WE'RE
ALL
...

IF
THEY
FIND
YOU...



...ALL
OF US AS
TITANS...

TO THE
ISLAND OF
DEVILS...





WE
TOLD YOU
THAT THIS IS
A FIGHT FOR
YOUR FUTURE
AND THE
FUTURE OF
**ALL
ELDIANS,**
REMEMBER?

THAT'S
RIGHT.

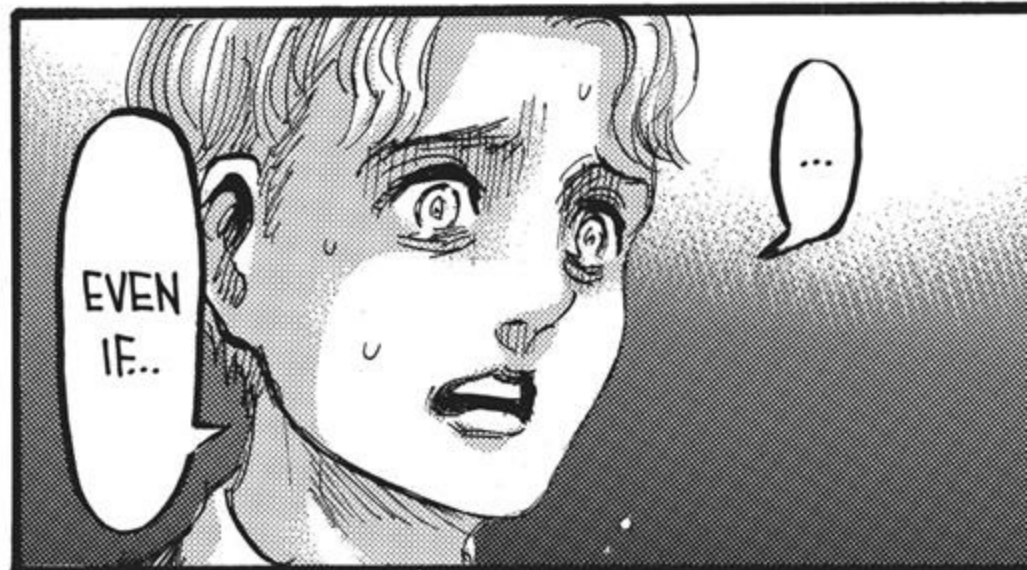
WE'RE
FOREVER
DOOMED TO
A PATHETIC
DEATH INSIDE
THESE WALLS
UNLESS SOME-
ONE TAKES
A STAND!

HAVE YOU
LEARNED
ANYTHING
FROM ME
AFTER ALL
THIS TIME?



...LIKE
AUNT
FAYE
?

...IT
MEANS
I END
UP...



EVEN
IF...

...



...
?!
...



...THAT FAYE
WAS ONLY
KILLED IN
THE FIRST
PLACE...
**BECAUSE
OF HOW
CRAZY
THIS
WORLD
IS!!**

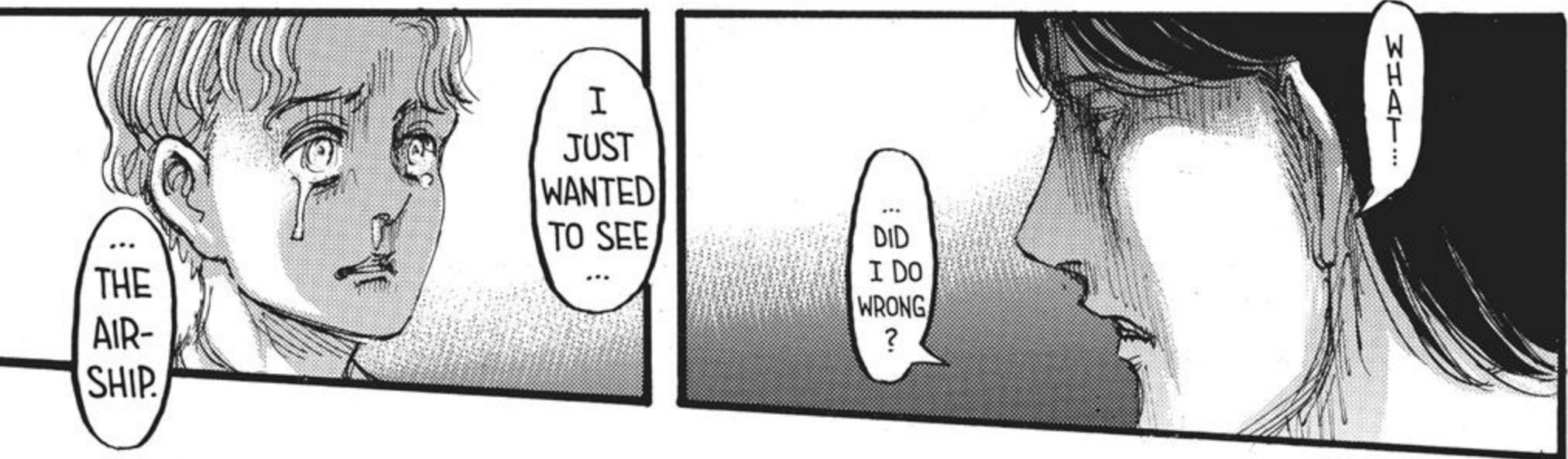
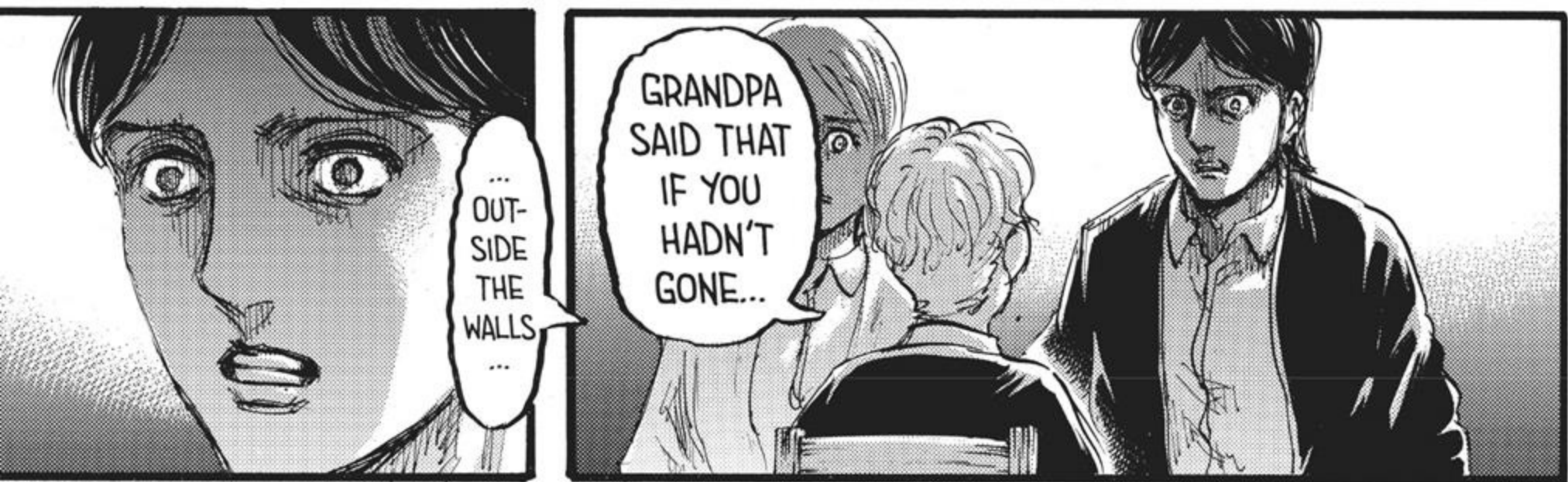
YOU
KNOW
...

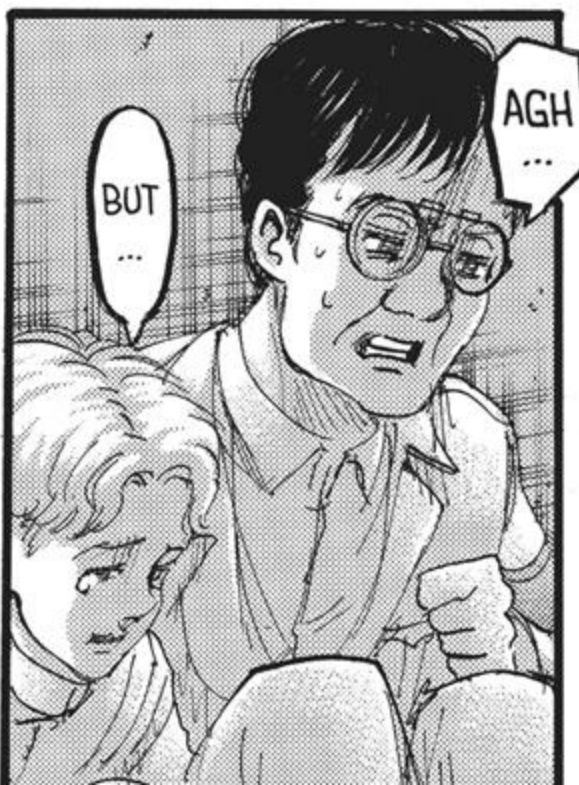
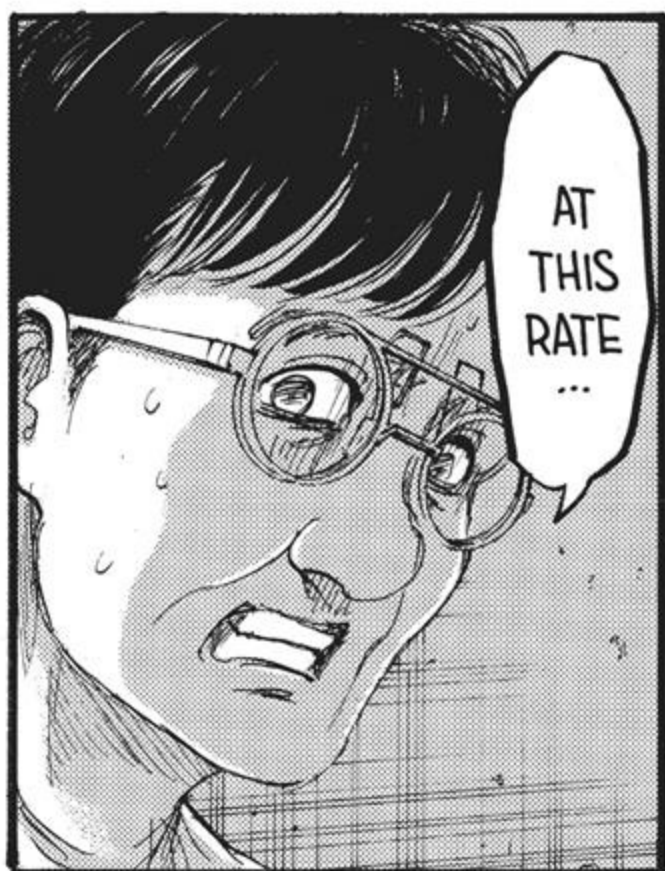


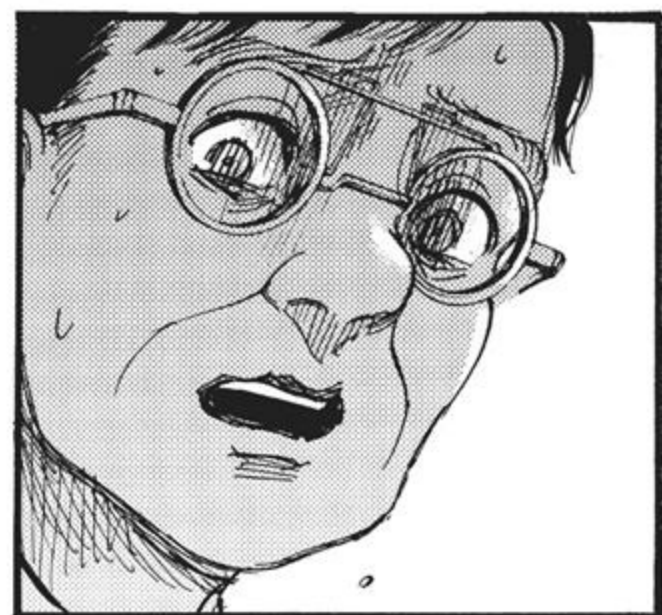
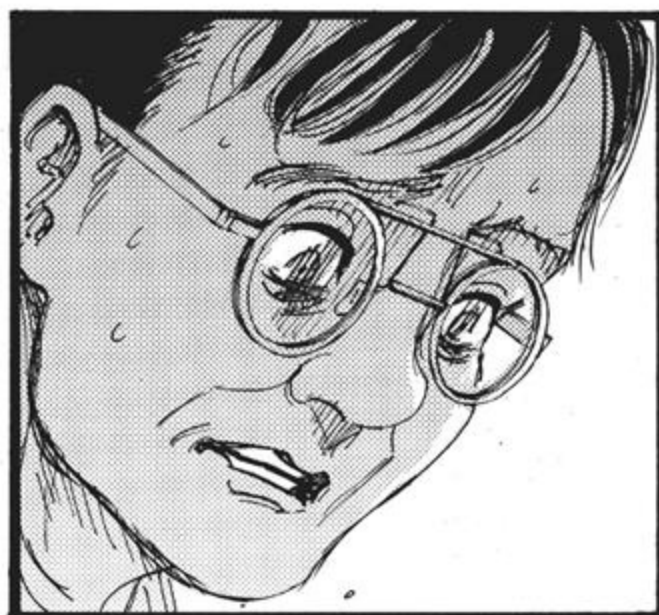
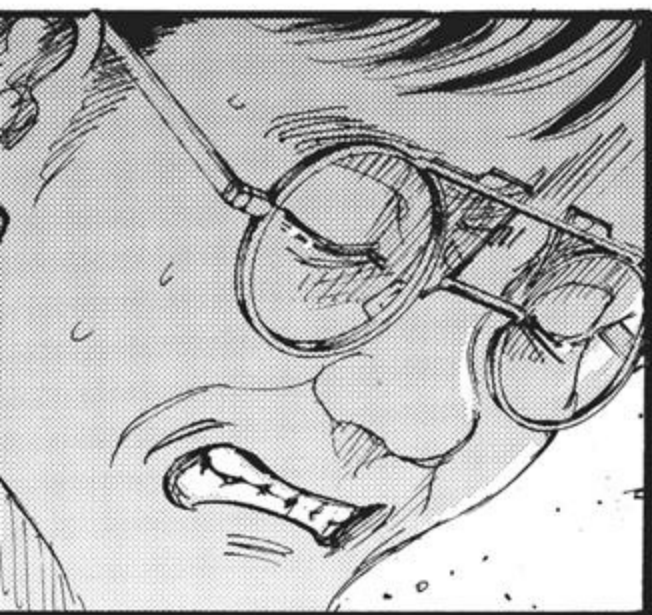
EEP
?!
...

WHAM

**Z
E
K
E
!!**









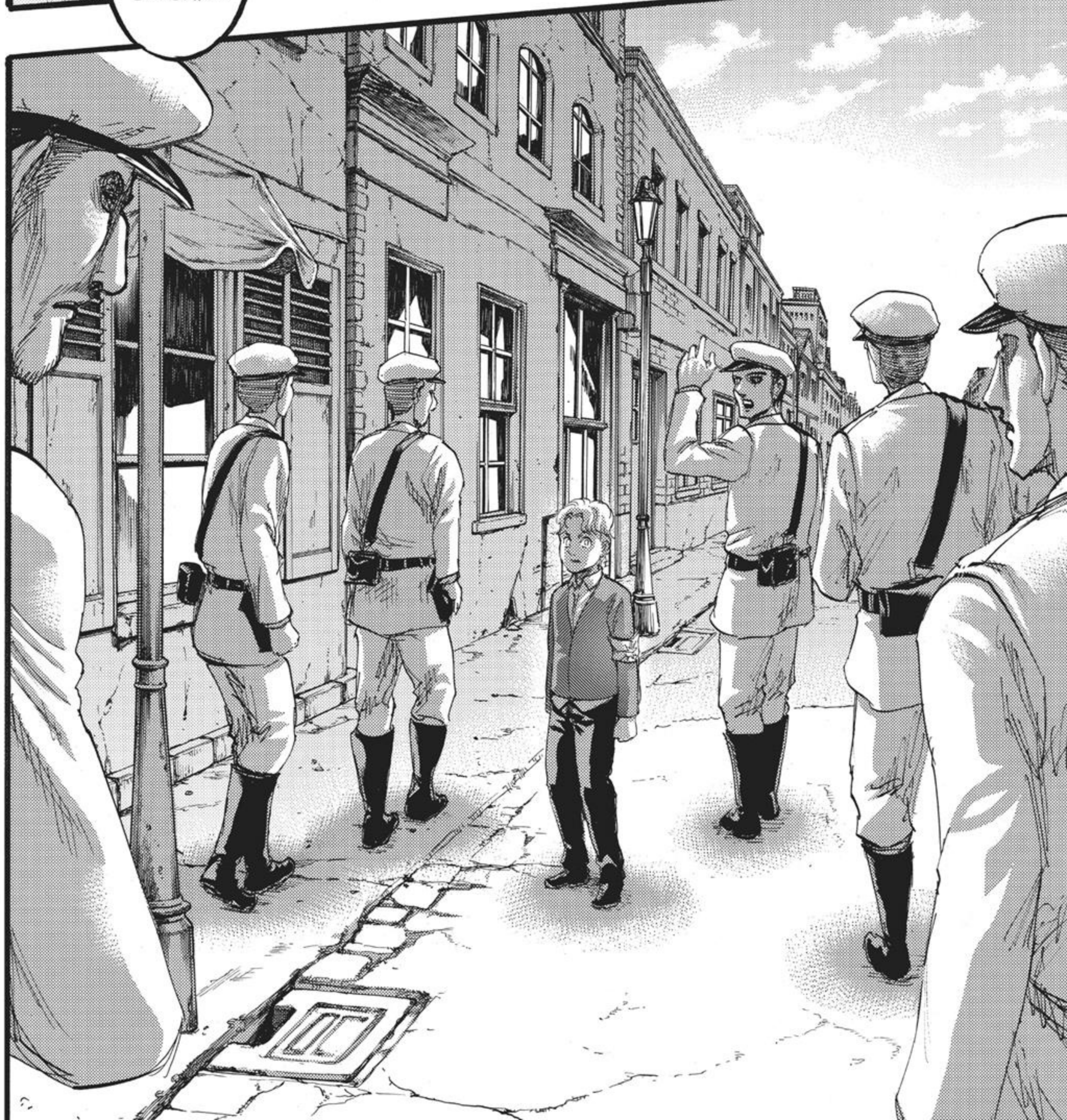
...
YOUR
ONLY
OPTION.

IT'S
...



...YOU
AND YOUR
GRAND-
PARENTS
SHOULD
BE SAFE.

IF
YOU SHOW
YOUR LOYALTY
TO MARLEY BY
TURNING YOUR
PARENTS IN TO
THE AUTHORI-
TIES...



YOUR PARENTS... HAVE DONE SOMETHING AWFUL TO YOU.



ZEKE ...



I COULD NEVER ...!!

NO ...!



THEY PUT YOU, A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD BOY, AND YOUR GRANDPARENTS IN MORTAL DANGER.



THEY USED YOU FOR THE SAKE OF THEIR RECK-LESS PLAN.

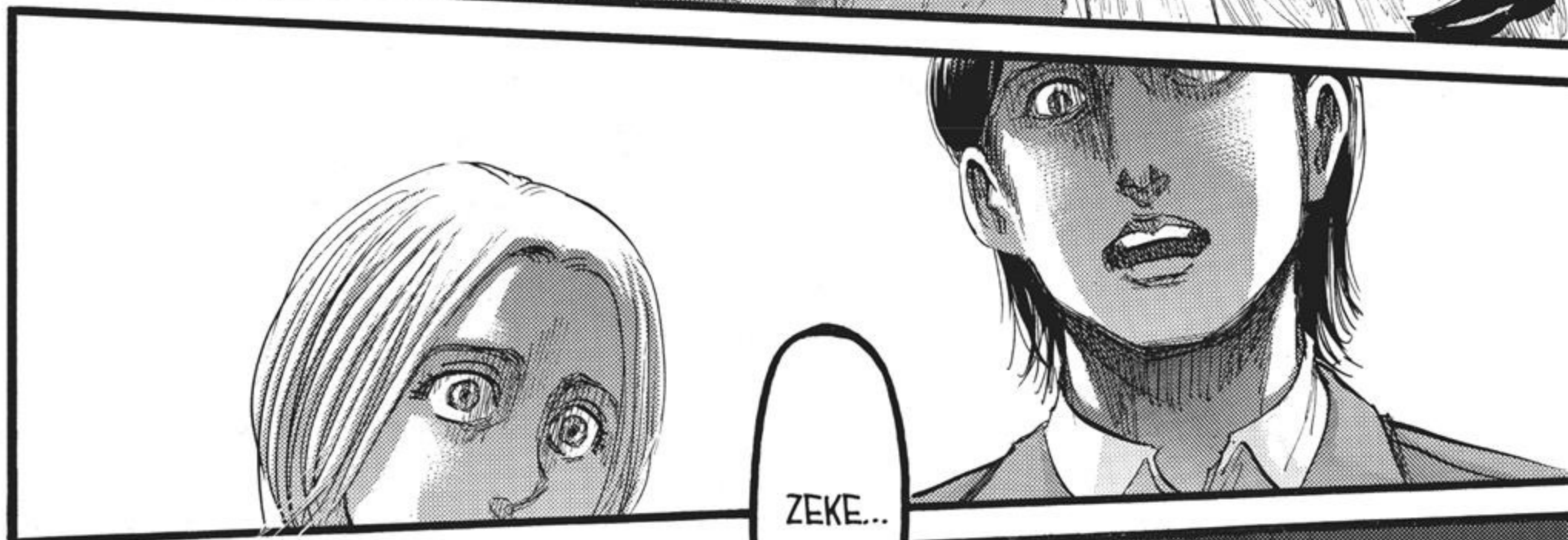


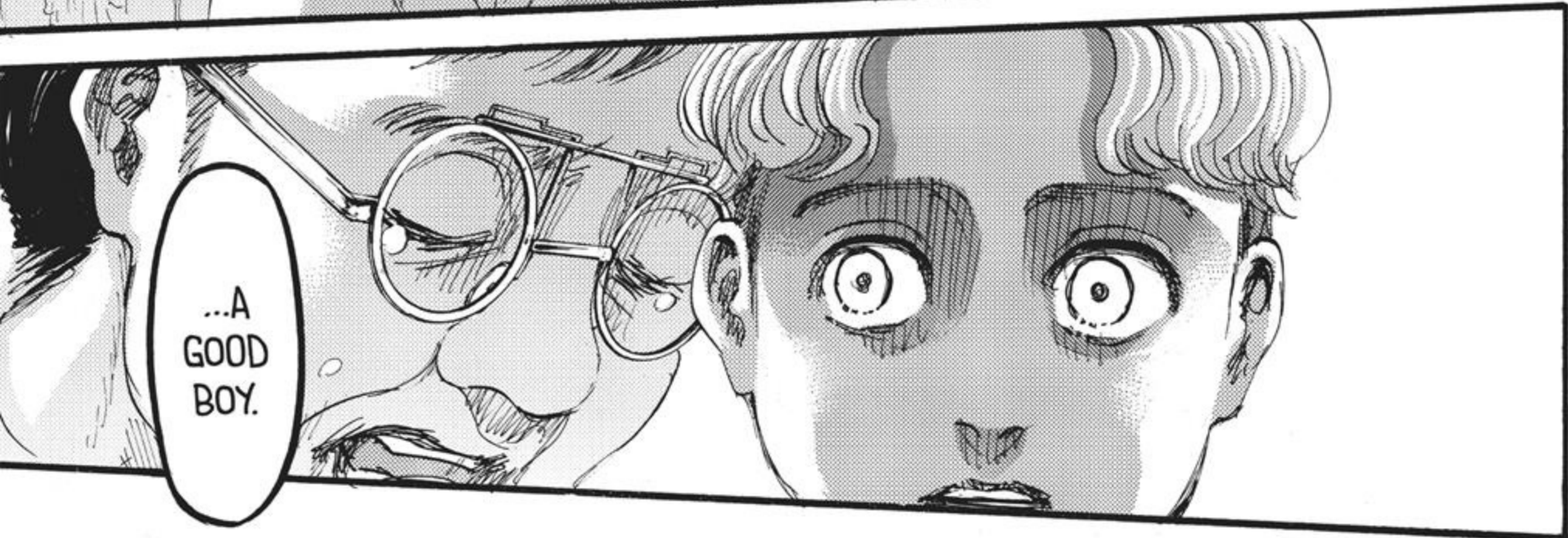
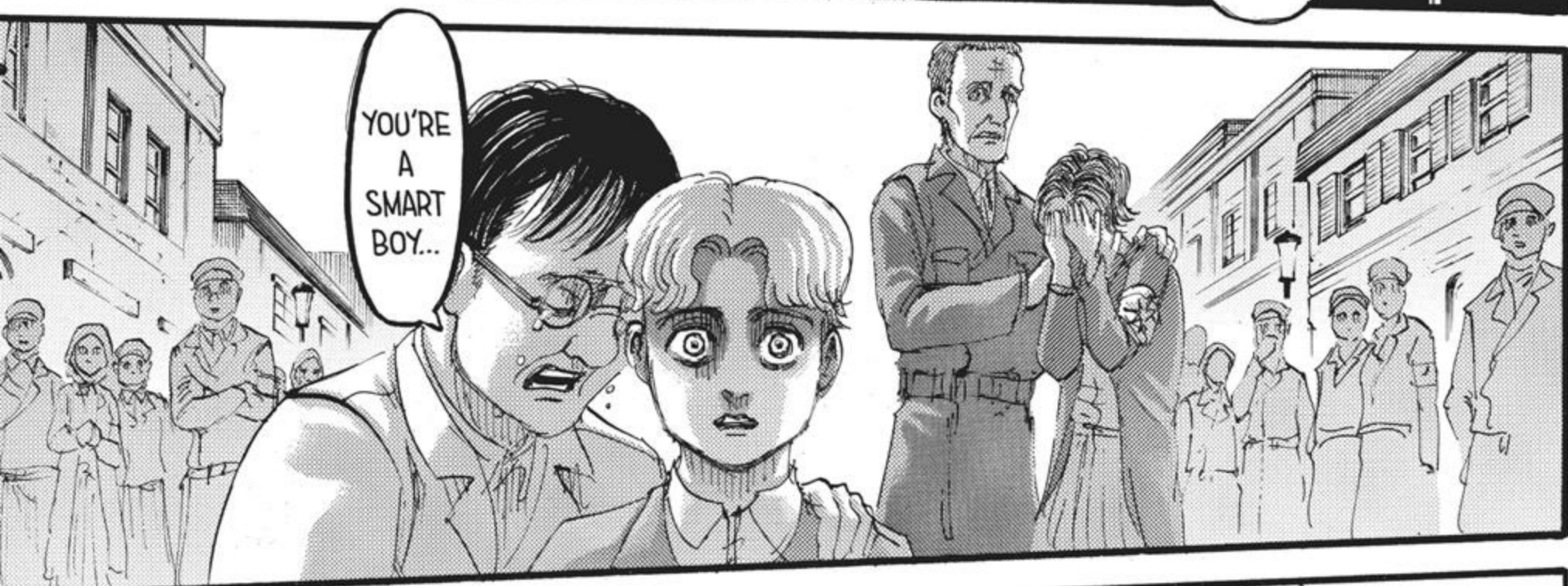
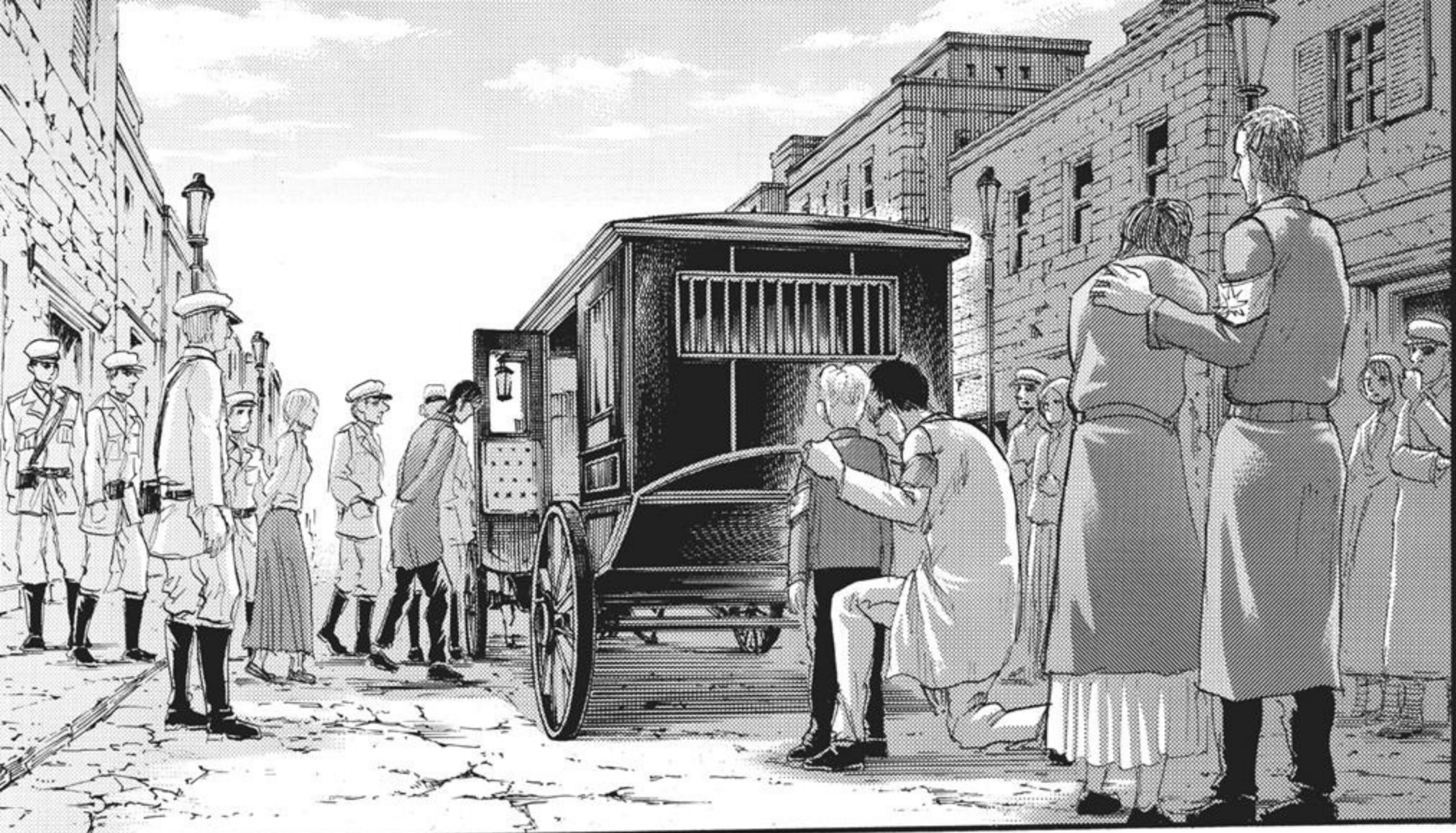
...WITHOUT EVER PAYING A SINGLE THOUGHT TO **WHAT YOU WANT.**

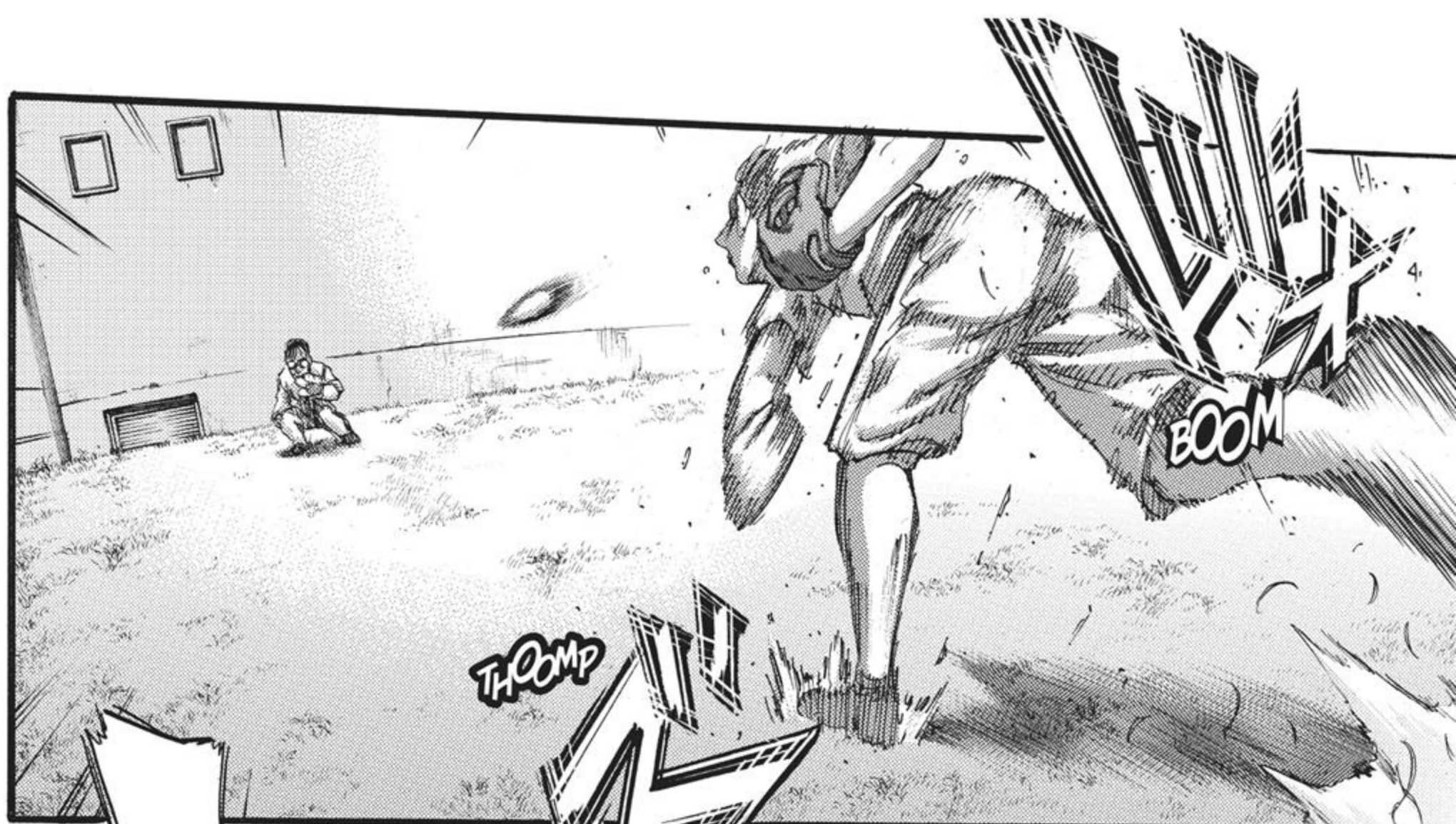
...AND GIVING UP ON YOU...

PUTTING EXPECT-ATIONS ON YOU...











MISTER KSAVER ?

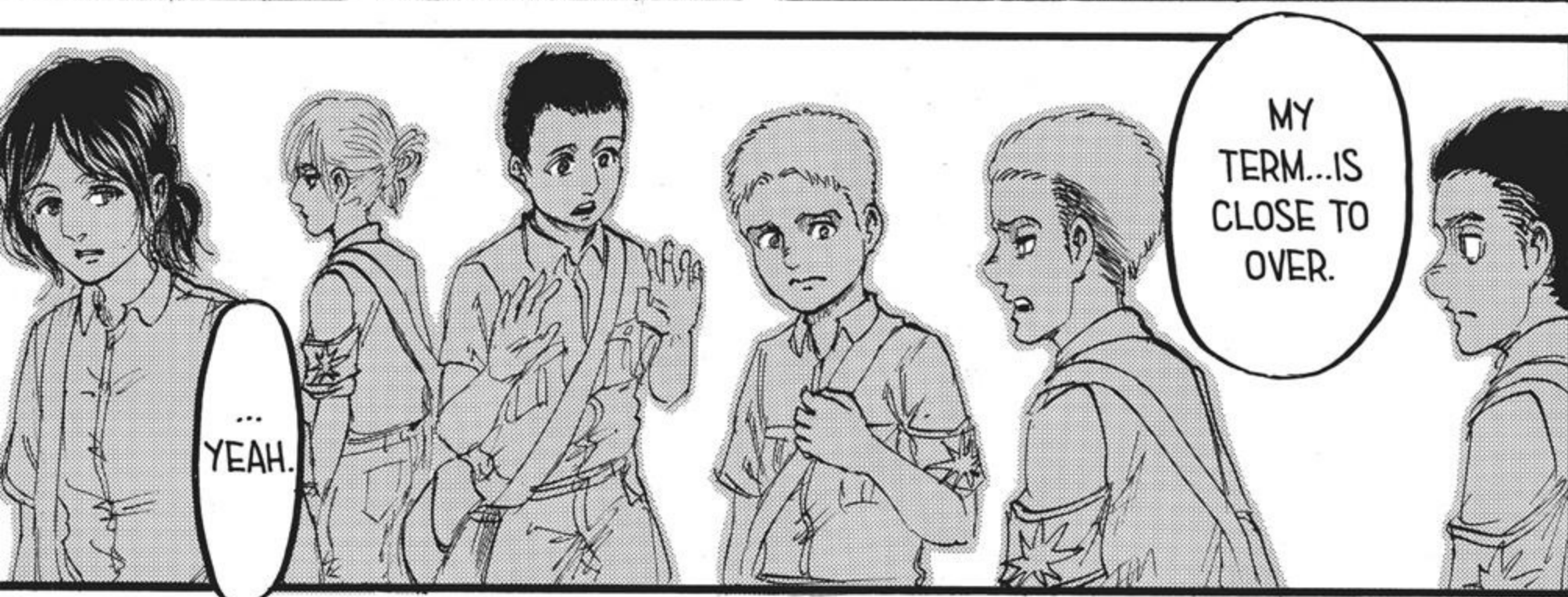
KOFF

KOFF

KOFF



HEY!
I'M NOT
THAT
OLD
Y...



...
YEAH.

MY
TERM...IS
CLOSE TO
OVER.



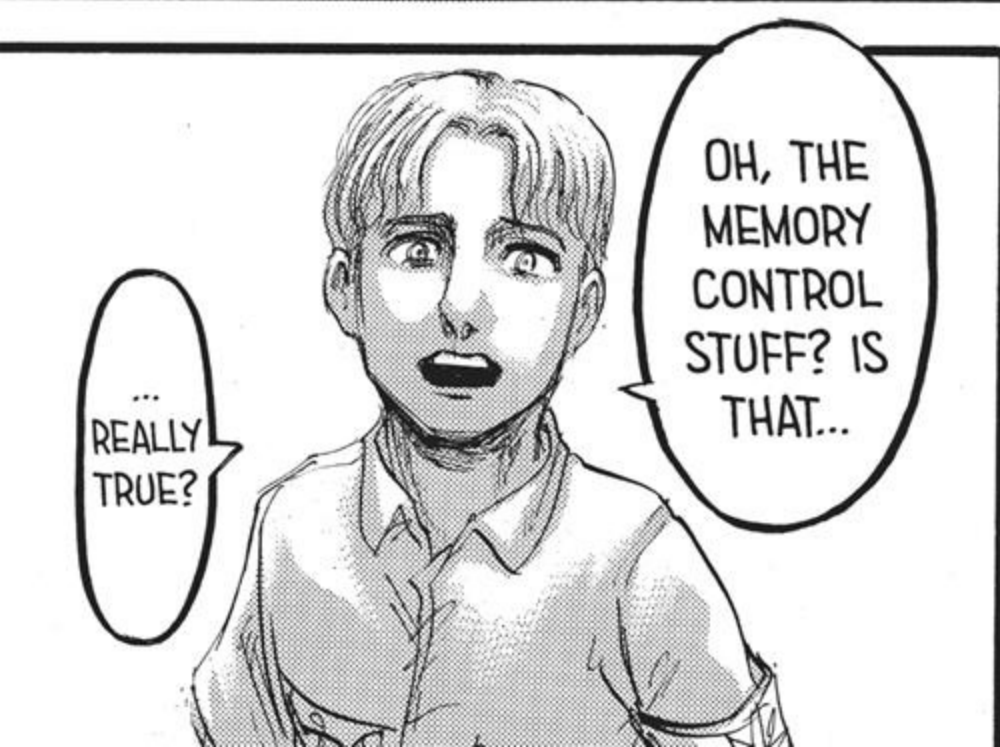
HUH?!
WHAT
DID
YOU
FIGURE
OUT?

I
THINK
I CAN
PRESENT
IT IN ONE
COMPILA-
TION.

Y
E
A
H.

BUT I
DON'T
REGRET
DEVOTING
MYSELF
TO MY RE-
SEARCH.

I
NEVER
GOT TO
GROW
OLD.



...
REALLY
TRUE?

OH, THE
MEMORY
CONTROL
STUFF? IS
THAT...

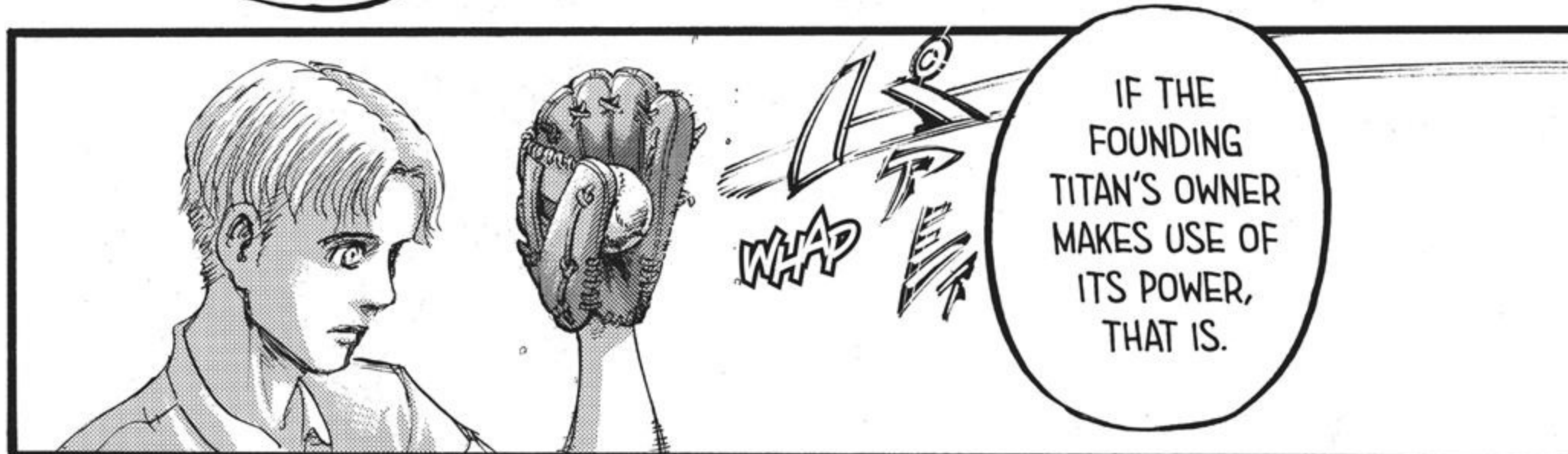


THE
VARIOUS
EFFECTS THAT
THE FOUNDING
TITAN HAS HAD
ON THE
SUBJECTS OF
YMIR.

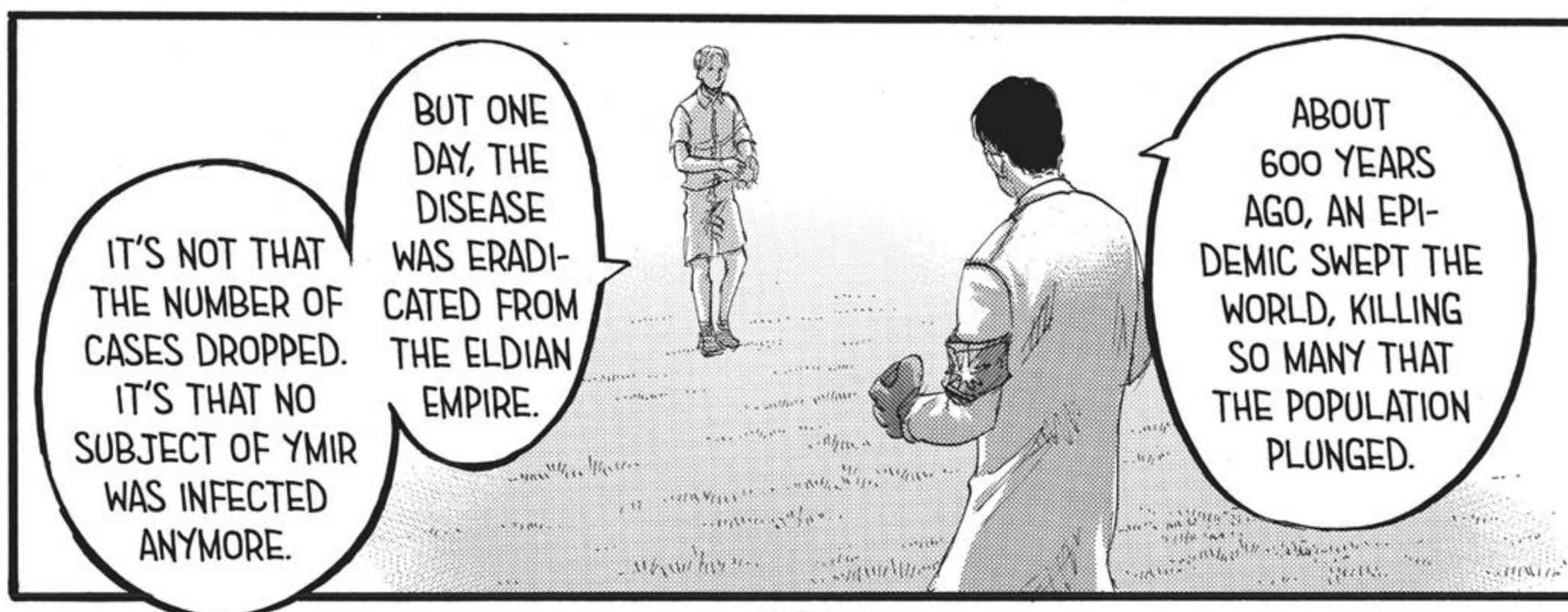


IT CAN EVEN
CHANGE THE
STRUCTURE OF
THE BODIES OF
THE SUBJECTS
OF YMIR.

IT'S
MORE THAN
CONTROLLING
MEMORIES.



IF THE
FOUNDING
TITAN'S OWNER
MAKES USE OF
ITS POWER,
THAT IS.



IT'S NOT THAT
THE NUMBER OF
CASES DROPPED.
IT'S THAT NO
SUBJECT OF YMIR
WAS INFECTED
ANYMORE.

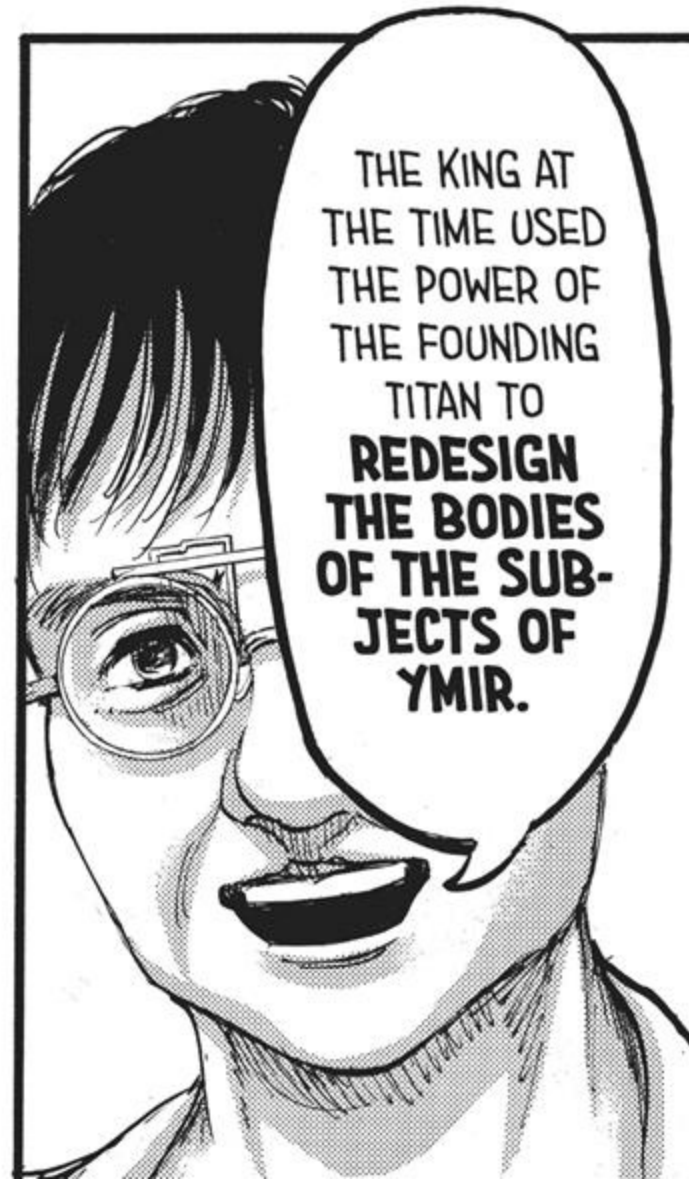
BUT ONE
DAY, THE
DISEASE
WAS ERADI-
CATED FROM
THE ELDIAN
EMPIRE.

ABOUT
600 YEARS
AGO, AN EPI-
DEMIC SWEEPED THE
WORLD, KILLING
SO MANY THAT
THE POPULATION
PLUNGED.

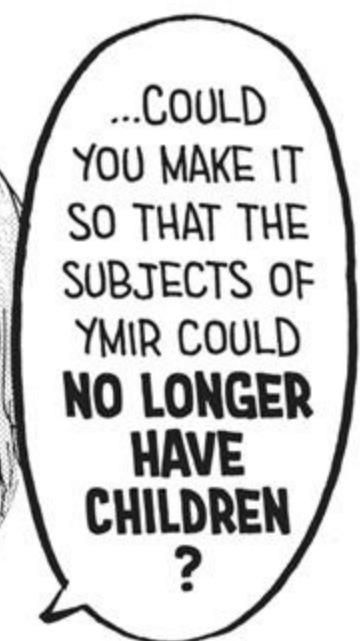
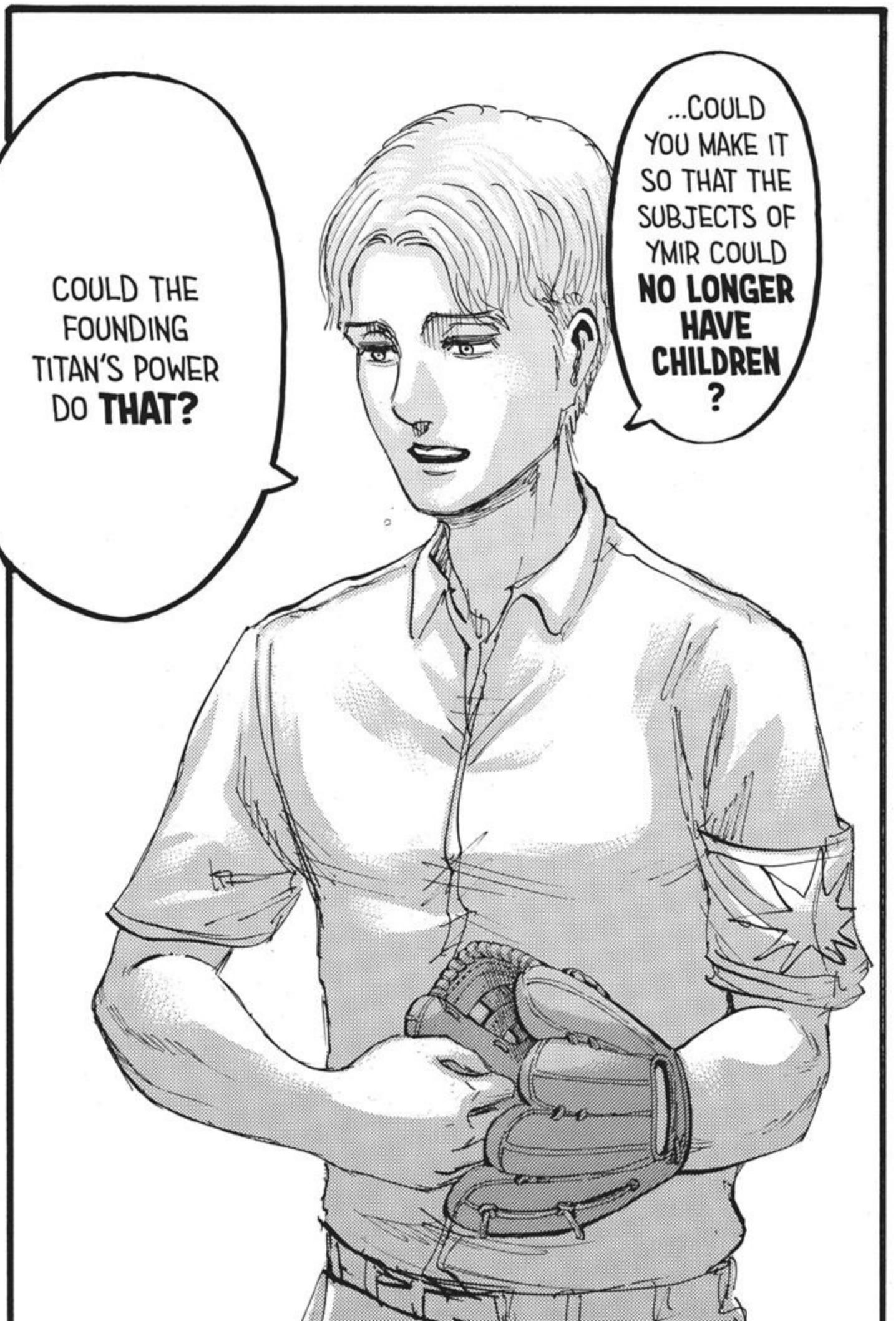
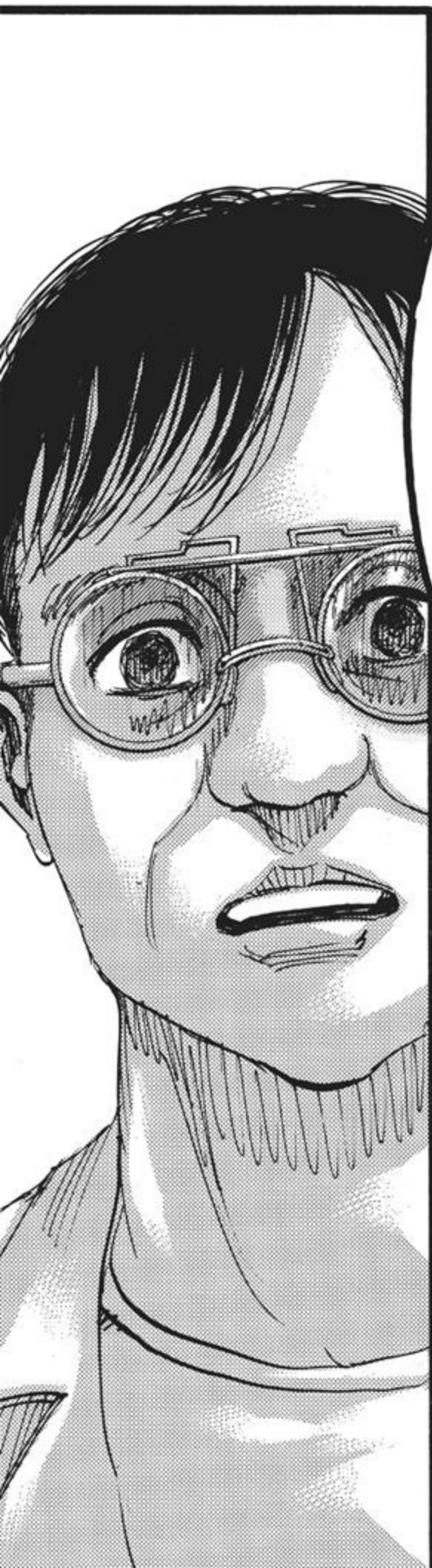
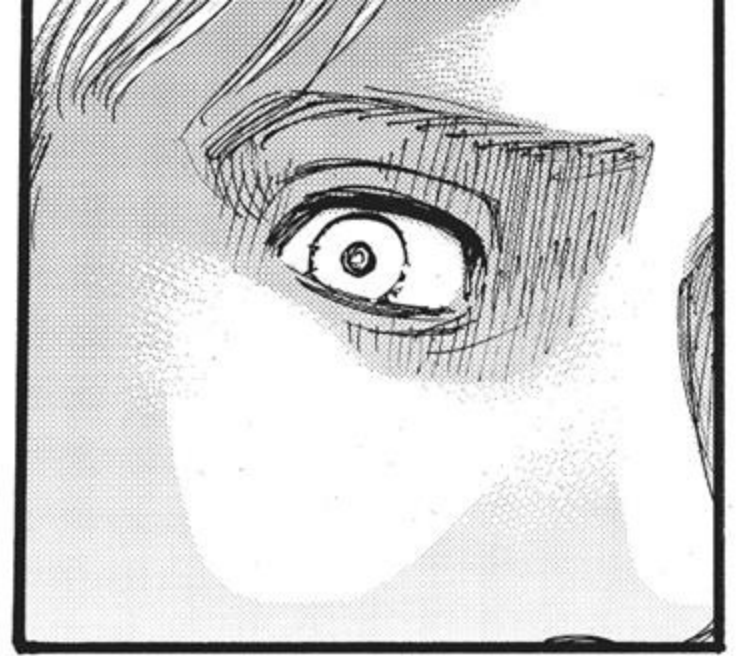


SCARY,
RIGHT?

WE
SUBJECTS OF
YMIR ARE A PART
OF THE FOUNDING
TITAN'S BODY, NO
MATTER WHERE WE
ARE OR HOW MANY
OF US THERE
MAY BE.



THE KING AT
THE TIME USED
THE POWER OF
THE FOUNDING
TITAN TO
**REDESIGN
THE BODIES
OF THE SUB-
JECTS OF
YMIR.**



AND
AS
FOR
US...

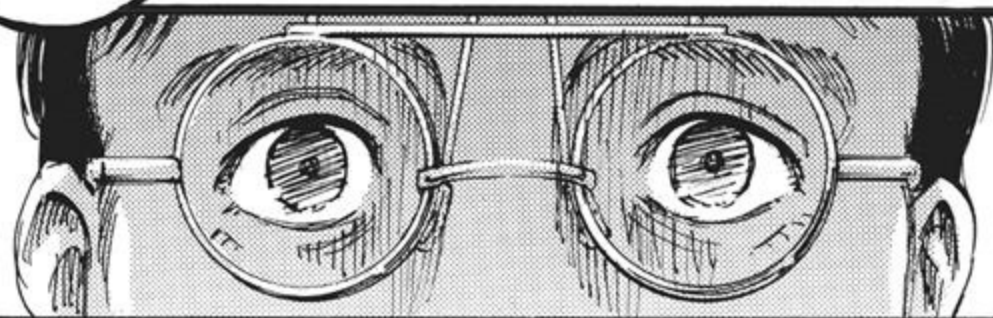
THE WORLD
WOULDN'T
HAVE TO LIVE IN
FEAR OF THE
TITANS OR SUFFER
AT THEIR
HANDS.

IF NO MORE
SUBJECTS OF YMIR
WERE BORN... EVERY
TITAN WOULD BE
GONE FROM THIS
WORLD A HUNDRED
YEARS FROM NOW.

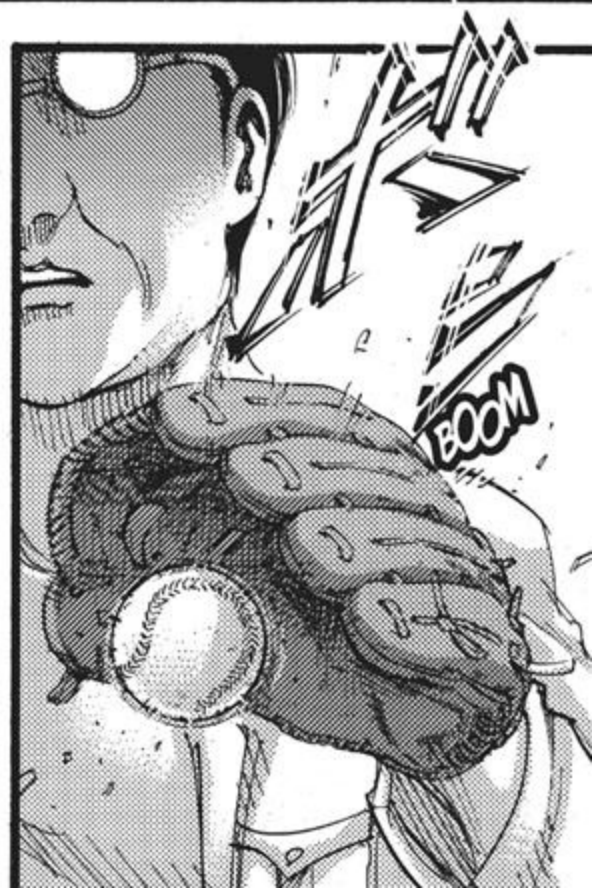
WHOOOMP

IF
WE'D NEVER
BEEN BORN
IN THE FIRST
PLACE...

...WE
NEVER
WOULD HAVE
HAD TO
SUFFER,
EITHER..



MISTER
KSAVER
?





I WAS YOUNG...
A FOOL.



I'D...
TAKEN OFF
MY ARMBAND,
HIDDEN THE
FACT I WAS AN
ELDIAN, LIVED
WITH MY WIFE,
AND WE HAD
A CHILD...

MY
WIFE...
WAS A
MAR-
LEYAN.

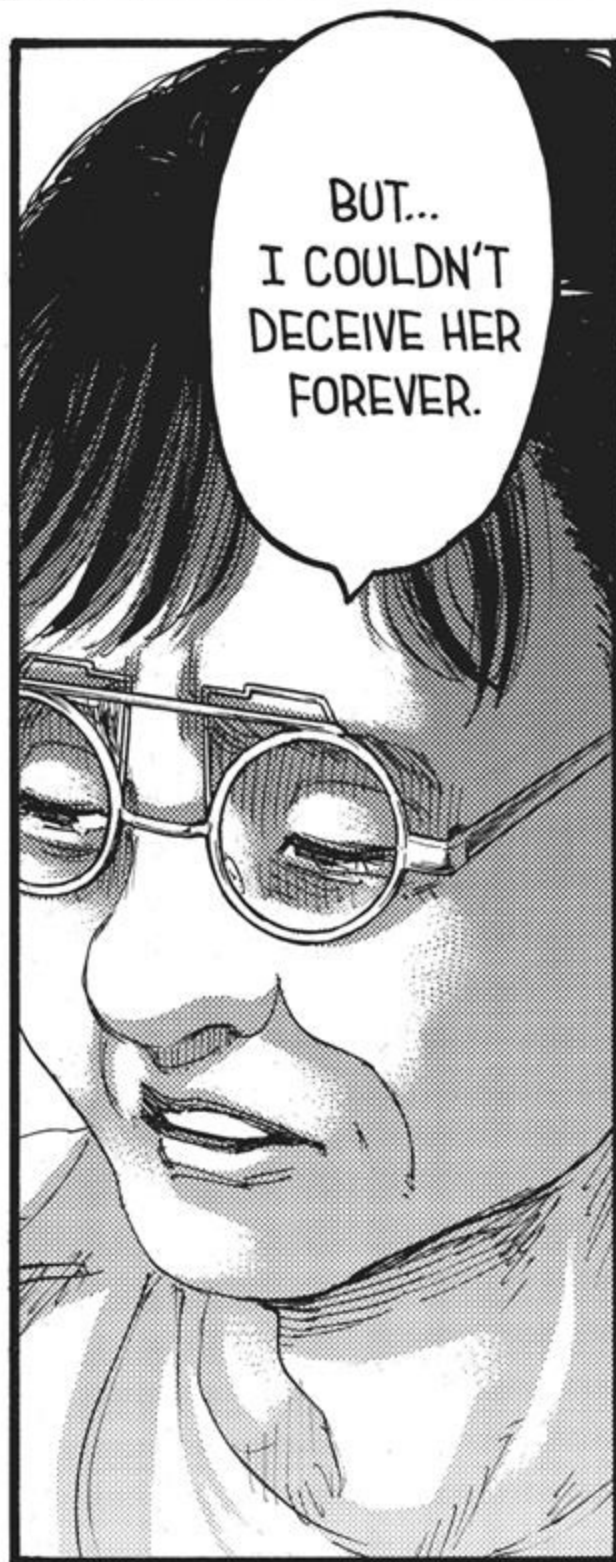
BUT
I HAD
A YOUNG
SON.

...I
NEVER
TOLD
YOU
THIS...

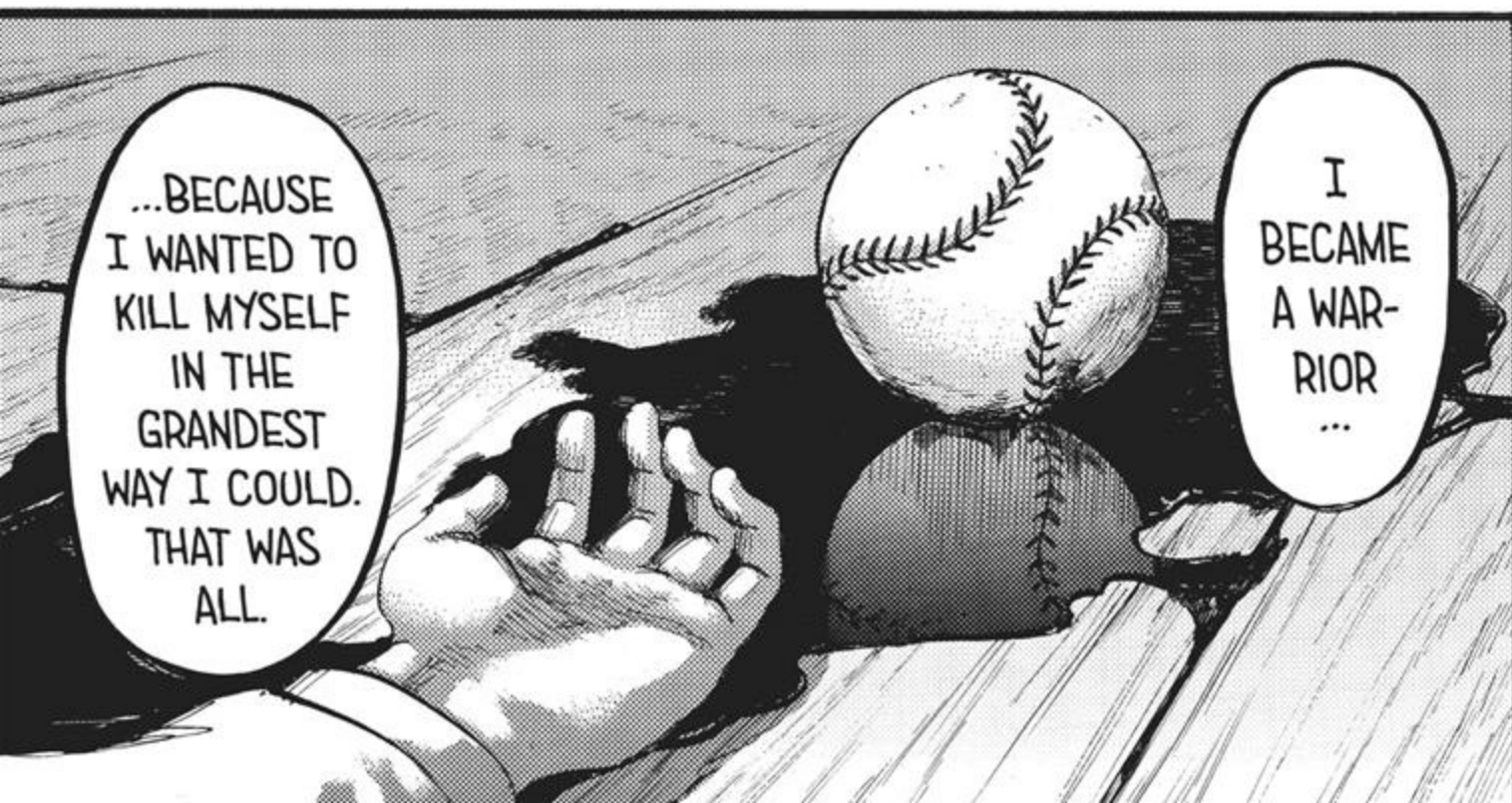


SHE
SLIT OUR
SON'S
THROAT...
AND DIED
WITH
HIM.

WHEN SHE
FOUND OUT
I WAS AN
ELDIAN,

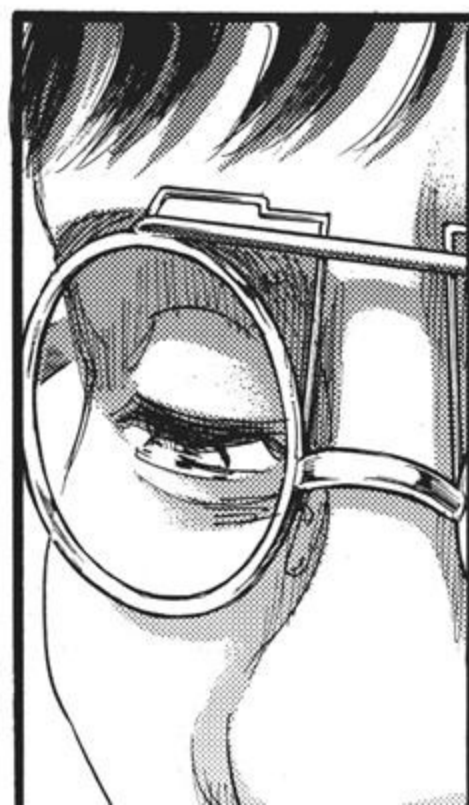


BUT...
I COULDN'T
DECEIVE HER
FOREVER.



...BECAUSE
I WANTED TO
KILL MYSELF
IN THE
GRANDEST
WAY I COULD.
THAT WAS
ALL.

I
BECAME
A WAR-
RIOR
...





IT'S
BEEN...
FUN.

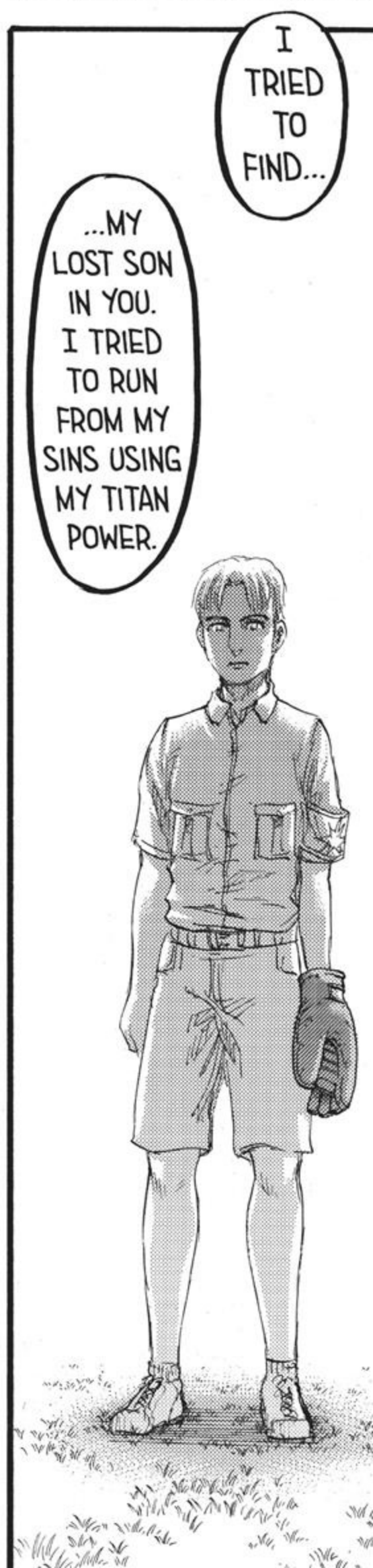
...AND
I MET YOU,
SOMEONE
I COULD PLAY
CATCH WITH.

BUT OVER
THE LAST
13 YEARS,
I'VE ENDED
UP DEVOT-
ING MYSELF
TO STUDYING
TITANS...



HOW
MUCH
BETTER IT
WOULD
ALL HAVE
BEEN...

...IF
I WAS
NEVER BORN
INTO THIS
WORLD?



I
TRIED
TO
FIND...

...MY
LOST SON
IN YOU.
I TRIED
TO RUN
FROM MY
SINS USING
MY TITAN
POWER.

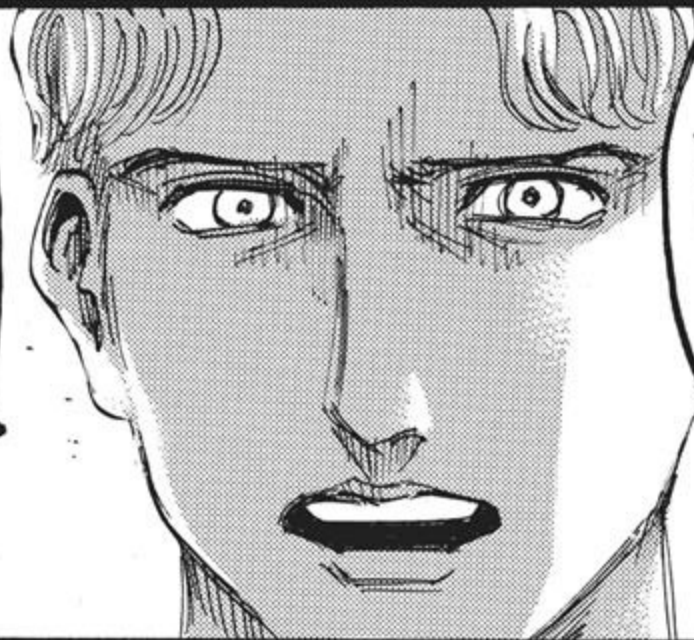
NOT
FOR
MARLEY'S
SAKE.

I WILL
INHERIT
THE BEAST
TITAN.



I'LL
SAVE THE
WORLD.
JUST YOU
WATCH.

AFTER
I STEAL
THE
FOUNDING
TITAN
FROM
MARLEY
...



I'LL
EXECUTE
THE PLAN TO
RETAKE THE
FOUNDER.
AND I'LL
SUCCEED.

...AND I'LL
FREE THE
ELDIANS
FROM THEIR
SUFFERING.



I'LL
FREE THE
PEOPLE OF
THE WORLD
FROM THEIR
FEAR OF THE
TITANS...



...TO
SAVE
ELDIA...

THE
ONLY
WAY...



...IS
TO
PUT
US...

...OUT
OF
OUR
MISERY.

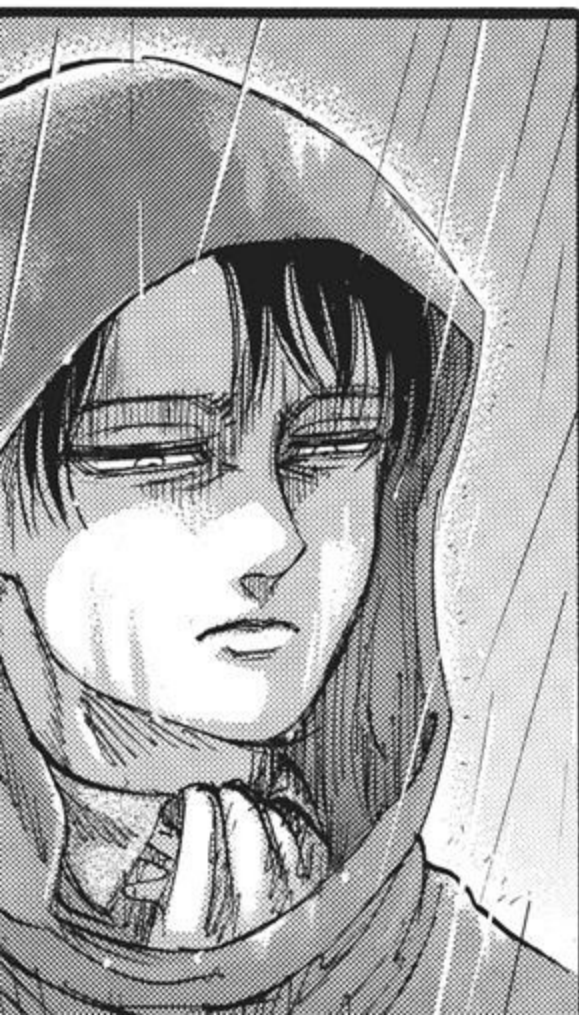
WELL, YOU'RE
ABOUT TO DIE INSIDE
A TITAN'S STINKY
MOUTH, TO THE
SOUND OF YOUR OWN
BODY BEING CHEWED
TO PIECES...

MERCY
KILLINGS
?

THAT
WAS
YOUR
PLAN
?

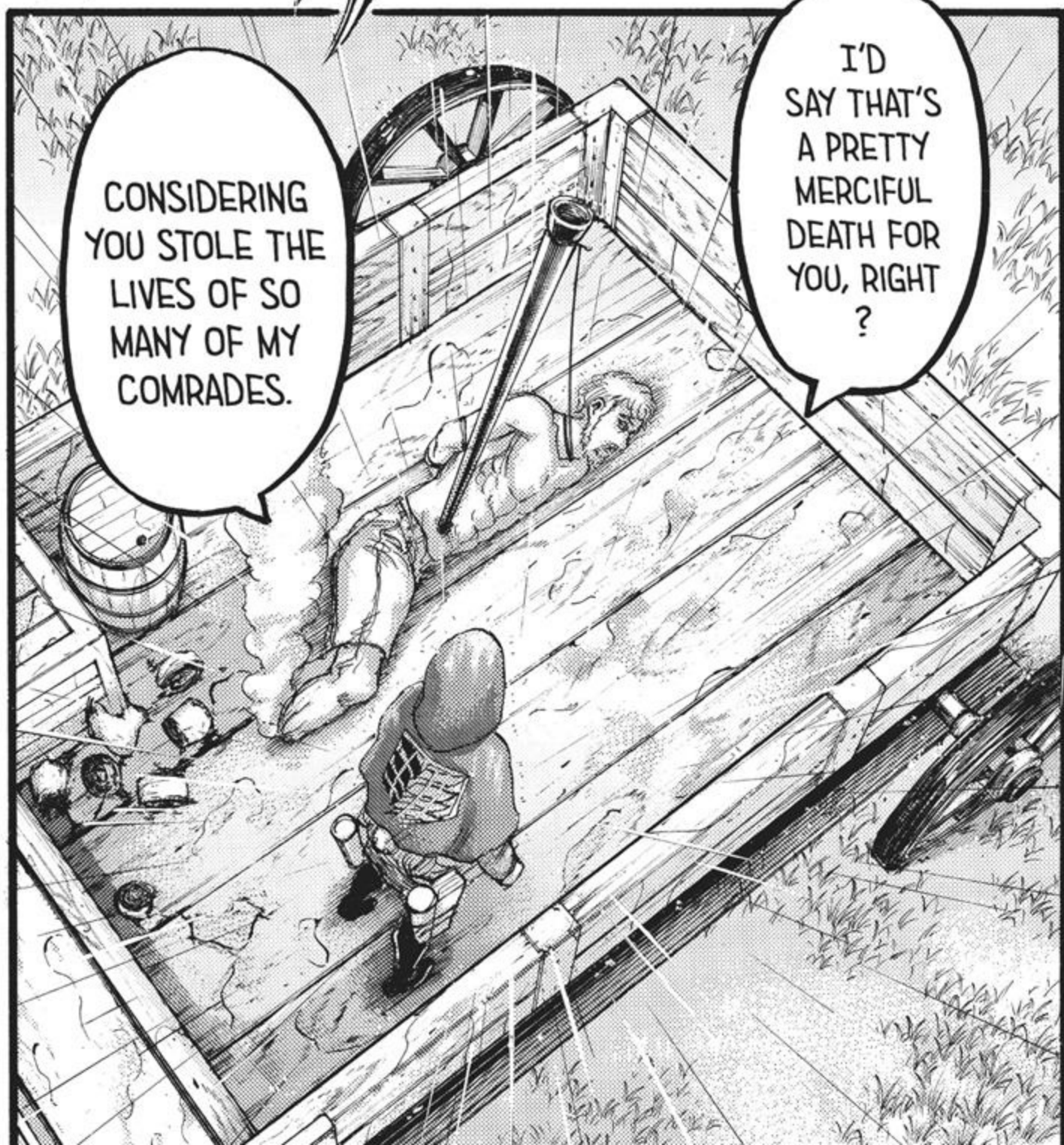


...
I STOLE
NOTHING
...



CONSIDERING
YOU STOLE THE
LIVES OF SO
MANY OF MY
COMRADES.

I'D
SAY THAT'S
A PRETTY
MERCIFUL
DEATH FOR
YOU, RIGHT
?





THEM AND
THE CHILDREN
THEY WOULD
HAVE...

I...
SAVED
THEM.

...I SAVED
THEM ALL...
FROM THIS...
CRUEL...

WORLD...

...LOOKS
LIKE
YOU'RE
GROWING
ANOTHER
LEG...

SHHK

**I HOPE
YOU'RE
WATCHING,
MISTER
KSAVER!!**

SHUDDER



PING

G
H
A
G
H!



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A LITTLE SOMETHING
CALLED A OUIJA
BOARD!

ATTACK ON SCHOOL CASTLES



IT'S NOT
LIKE YOU
HAVE
ANYTHING
BETTER
TO DO,
EREN.

...WHY DO
I HAVE TO
DO THIS
SÉANCE
STUFF...?

HEIGHTEN
YOUR SPIRITS
SO THAT THE
DARKNESS
WILL NOT
TAKE YOU.

LET GO
AND THE
DEVIL WILL
POSSESS
YOU.



IS
ANYONE
WITH
US?

LET'S
BEGIN
...

...PLEASE
DON'T SAY
THAT.

YOU
BELIEVE
IN THIS
STUFF?

I...DON'T
THINK WE
SHOULD DO
ANYTHING
TO GET THE
SPIRITS TOO
STIRRED UP.



ZZZT
F
F
F



...NOT I.
I SWEAR
TO THE GODS
OF THE
ABYSS.

NOT
ME...

WHO'S
MOVING
IT?

...IT
MOVED.

COMING SOON



...WELL,
NO POINT
IN JUST
LETTING
IT SIT
THERE.

HEH...
SORRY,
I MOVED
IT.

...NO
WAY.
IT'S NOT
REALLY
A GHOST,
RIGHT?



HEY...
WHO IS
IT THIS
TIME?

...
NOT
I.

MARCO?
AGAIN?



WHY
WOULD DEAD
STRANGERS
KNOW WHAT
I LIKE?

TELL ME
WHAT EREN
LIKES.

LOST
SOULS
OF THE
NETHER-
WORLD.



WHAT?
I MEAN, I'D
LOVE TO SEE
A GHOST IF
THEY REALLY
EXIST.

STOP
JOKING
AROUND,
EREN.

IT'S TOO
BAD ABOUT
THE
ACCIDENT.

...OH,
THAT'S RIGHT,
THERE WAS
A STUDENT
WITH THAT
NAME.

...
WHO
?

*REAL
PREVIEW IS
ON THE
FOLLOWING
PAGE!

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LEVI?

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